MOTION: JOHNSTON September 11, 2025
Regular Meeting

SECOND: BALDWIN HRC RES 25-10

RE: RESOLUTION TO DECLARE, AFFIRM AND RECOGNIZE THE

MONTH OF OCTOBER 2025 AS NATIONAL DISABILITY

EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

ACTION:

WHEREAS, October 2025 marks the 80th anniversary of "National Disability Employment Awareness Month"; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme for the 2025 commemoration is "Celebrating Value and Talent," highlighting the positive impact and essential contributions of workers with disabilities to the American workforce.

WHEREAS, this year marks the 52nd anniversary of the enactment of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 37 thousand, or approximately 7.6% of Prince William County residents living with a disability; and

WHEREAS, many with disabilities are actively employed and are vital contributors to Prince William County's productivity; and

WHEREAS, Workplaces welcoming the talents of all people, including people with disabilities, are a critical part of efforts to build an inclusive community and strong economy; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is designated as "Access to Good Jobs for All" and activities during this month reinforce the talent and value people with disabilities add to our workplaces and communities; and

WHEREAS, the Prince William County Human Rights Commission affirms our commitment to ensuring, under the Prince William County Human Rights Ordinance, that those with a disability are treated fairly as a valuable part of our community

WHEREAS, Employers, schools, and other community organizations in Prince William County are encouraged to observe October with appropriate programs and activities and to advance the message that people with disabilities add value and talent to our workplaces and the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Prince William County Human Rights Commission declares, affirms, and recognizes the month of October 2025 as National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and urges all citizens and residents to join and support all County celebrations honoring those with disabilities in Prince William County

Votes:

Ayes: Porter, BruMar, Young, Johnston, Pratter, Baldwin, Ginoba, Sparkes, Staubly

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent from the meeting: None

ATTEST:

Executive Director