



BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE NEW JERSEY



Resolution No: 65-2016

Date of Adoption: March 30, 2016

TITLE:

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2016 AS NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH
IN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE**

WHEREAS, autism is a pervasive developmental disorder affecting the social, communication and behavioral skills of those affected by it, and,

WHEREAS, as more health professionals become proficient in diagnosing autism, more children are being diagnosed on the autism spectrum, resulting in rates as high as 1 in 68 children nationally and 1 in 45 in New Jersey, and,

WHEREAS, while there is no cure for autism, it is well-documented that if individuals with autism receive early and intensive treatment throughout their lives, they lead significantly improved lives, and,

WHEREAS, individuals with autism often require a lifetime of specialized and community support services to ensure their health and safety and to support families’ resilience as they manage the psychological and financial burdens autism can present,

WHEREAS, Autism New Jersey is spearheading an awareness effort in order to educate parents, professionals and the general public about autism and its effects,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Paul M. Carelli do hereby proclaim April 2016 as NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH in the Borough of Riverdale, and urge all employees and residents to participate in our municipality’s National Autism Awareness Month activities, in order to become better educated about autism and create a better community for individuals with autism.

Paul M. Carelli, Mayor
March 30, 2016

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE

Motion – by Councilman: _____ Second - by Councilman: _____

COUNCILMAN Yes No Absent Abstain COUNCILMAN Yes No Absent Abstain

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A.J. Jalloh, Borough Clerk

Paul M. Carelli, Mayor

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