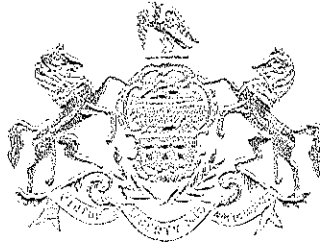


Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



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PROCLAMATION

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH *March 2016*

WHEREAS, people with an intellectual disability are valued members of society — our families, friends, neighbors, and co-workers — who find fulfillment living everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, intellectual disability is characterized by significant limitations both in intellectual functioning and in adaptive behavior that originate before age 22; and

WHEREAS, people with an intellectual disability are of all racial, ethnic, educational, social, and economic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, early intervention, education, employment, and home and community-based services continue to be vital to enabling citizens with an intellectual disability to function and thrive.

THEREFORE, in order to recognize the many accomplishments and contributions of people with an intellectual disability, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim March 2016 as INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH. I encourage all citizens to support Pennsylvanians with an intellectual disability and their families in all aspects of community life.



GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this sixteenth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and fortieth.

Tom Wolf
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Governor