

PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, the American with Disabilities Act together with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act provides anti-discrimination protection for our nation's 61 million Americans with disabilities and recognizes their right to be integral, contributing, productive and valued citizens of our country, state, and city; and

WHEREAS, the City of Washougal actively supports the goals of equality, opportunity, full participation, independent living, and economic self-sufficiency for all people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, we all have a role to play in increasing opportunities for meaningful employment for people with disabilities and by joint resolution the United States Congress has designated October as National Disabilities Employment Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's National Disability Employment Awareness month is Advancing Access and Equity reminds us of the valued contributions people with disabilities make in our nation's workplaces, and this year's 50th anniversary of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 marks a major milestone in our nation's ongoing quest to advance access and equity for all Americans,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David Stuebe, Mayor of the City of Washougal, do hereby proclaim October 2023, as

~ National Disability Employment Awareness Month ~

And call on all citizens, of all ages, to join in reaffirming our community's determination to fulfil the letter and spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Individual Disability Education Act and the Rehab Act

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Washougal to be affixed this **25th** day of **September, 2023**.



David Stuebe, Mayor
City of Washougal, Clark County, Washington

