



PROCLAMATION

Recognizing the 35th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act

WHEREAS, July 26, 2025, marks the 35th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), landmark civil rights legislation signed into law on July 26, 1990, which prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life, including employment, education, transportation, and access to public and private places that are open to the general public; and

WHEREAS, the ADA protects individuals with a wide range of disabilities, including physical, sensory, cognitive, intellectual, neurological, and mental health conditions, and acknowledges that not all disabilities are visible or immediately apparent; and

WHEREAS, the ADA has helped to increase access and opportunity for people with disabilities across the United States, including in the Town of Hillsborough, by ensuring greater inclusion and equity in civic life; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hillsborough recognizes the importance of continuing to build on the progress of the ADA by promoting policies, infrastructure, and community practices that affirm the dignity, independence, and full participation of people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Hillsborough affirms its commitment to being a welcoming and inclusive community, where all residents, regardless of ability, can live, work, and thrive with dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, the 35th anniversary of the ADA provides an opportunity to honor the contributions of disability rights advocates, leaders, and community members who have fought for equity and accessibility and to recommit ourselves to advancing the goals of the ADA;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Bell, mayor of the Town of Hillsborough, do hereby commemorate the 35th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act and reaffirm the town's commitment to advancing equity, inclusion, and accessibility for people with disabilities and recognize the full spectrum of visible and invisible disabilities in Hillsborough.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal of the Town of Hillsborough to be affixed this 23rd day of June in the year 2025.

Mark Bell, Mayor
Town of Hillsborough