

# A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SONORA DECLARING APRIL NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS:** Autism is a complex, lifelong developmental condition that impacts a person's social skills, communication, relationships, and self-regulation; and,

**WHEREAS:** The month of April is designated to increase public awareness of the need to support individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders and the family members, educators, and other paraprofessionals who teach and care for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder; and,

**WHEREAS:** The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that about 1 in 36 children has been identified with Autism Spectrum Disorder in the United States; and,

**WHEREAS:** Increased awareness promotes the early diagnosis and connection with intervention programs, which lead to significantly improved outcomes for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder; and,

**WHEREAS:** The City of Sonora wishes to support and strengthen autism awareness in our local communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Mark Plummer, Mayor of the City of Sonora, declare April 2024 to be National Autism Awareness Month in Sonora, California, in honor of our community members living with Autism Spectrum Disorder and those who directly support individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 1st day of April 2024.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Plummer, Mayor

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy L. Skelly, City Clerk