



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Dyslexia is a specific learning disability that affects word reading, spelling, and related language-processing skills, and may affect individuals throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, Dyslexia affects individuals across backgrounds and abilities, and difficulties with reading and spelling do not reflect a person's intelligence, potential, or capacity to contribute to their community; and

WHEREAS, Early identification, evidence-based instruction, and appropriate educational support are important in helping individuals with dyslexia develop literacy skills and access opportunities for learning and success; and

WHEREAS, Dyslexia Awareness Month provides an opportunity to increase public understanding, challenge misconceptions, and recognize the experiences of individuals with dyslexia, as well as the families, educators, and professionals who support them; and

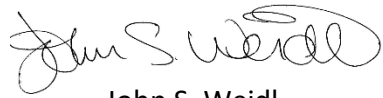
WHEREAS, Research and collaboration among scientists, educators, clinicians, and practitioners continue to advance our understanding of dyslexia and inform effective approaches to literacy instruction and intervention; and

WHEREAS, The City of Whitewater strives for inclusion in every corner of our community. Promoting awareness of dyslexia supports our commitment to recognizing individual differences, reducing barriers to participation, and ensuring that community members have access to the resources and support they need; and

WHEREAS, It is important that our neighbors with dyslexia know that they are valued members of our community and that their contributions, experiences, and perspectives help strengthen the City of Whitewater. By increasing awareness and understanding, we can work toward a community where individuals with dyslexia are recognized, supported, and provided opportunities to thrive;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Weidl, City Manager for the City of Whitewater, do hereby proclaim October 2026 as Dyslexia Awareness Month in the City of Whitewater, encouraging greater awareness and understanding of dyslexia, promoting access to appropriate educational support,

and recognizing the contributions and potential of individuals with dyslexia in our community.

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John S. Weidl
City Manager for the City of Whitewater