

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY AWARENESS DAY 2011

A PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** an intellectual disability is defined as a disability characterized by significant limitations both in intellectual functioning and in adaptive behavior as expressed in conceptual, social, and practical adaptive skills, which originates before age 21; and
- WHEREAS,** people with intellectual disabilities cut across the lines of racial, ethnic, educational, social, and economic backgrounds; and
- WHEREAS,** people with intellectual disabilities are valued members of society—our friends, neighbors, and co-workers—who find fulfillment living everyday lives; and
- WHEREAS,** Dunwoody citizens with intellectual disabilities and their families strive to live self-determined lives and realize their own personal aspirations; and
- WHEREAS,** early intervention, education, home and community-based services continue to be vital to enabling citizens with intellectual disabilities to function, thrive and realize their full potential; and
- WHEREAS,** each year, Knights of Columbus throughout the nation distribute Tootsie Rolls and 100% of the money raised goes to benefit non-profit organizations helping people with intellectual disabilities; and
- WHEREAS,** Dunwoody’s Knights of Columbus Council 11402 is committed to raising money for local area charities; and
- WHEREAS,** receiving Tootsie Rolls is a fun and enjoyable way to support the efforts of your local Knights of Columbus.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ken Wright, Mayor of the City of Dunwoody, Georgia, do hereby proclaim **April 30, 2011**, as “**Intellectual Disability Awareness Day**” in Dunwoody, and commend this observance to all our citizens, and encourage all citizens to support the efforts and hard work of The Knights of Columbus, Council 11402 of Dunwoody, and enjoy your Tootsie Rolls.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of April, 2011.

City of Dunwoody Mayor

Ken Wright

Attest:

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk