

**PROCLAMATION**

**Whereas,** on December 18, 2007, the United Nations General Assembly adopted resolution 62/139, which declares April 2<sup>nd</sup> as World Autism Awareness Day; (WAAD) in perpetuity; and

**Whereas,** autism is a lifelong developmental disability which occurs in approximately 1 in every 88 births, the causes of which are not fully understood; and

**Whereas,** autism does not discriminate by geography, social class or ethnicity and more children will be diagnosed with autism this year than with diabetes, cancer, and AIDS combined; and

**Whereas,** the WAAD warmly celebrates the unique talents and skills of persons with autism and embraces them in community events, around the globe and brings together autism organizations all around the world, while giving a voice to millions of individuals who are undiagnosed, misunderstood and looking for help.

**NOW THEREFORE,** I, Mike Davis, Mayor of the City of Dunwoody, Georgia do hereby proclaim April 2, 2013 as

**AUTISM AWARENESS DAY**

and ask the citizens of Dunwoody to join me in supporting our autism friends and families with compassion, inclusion and hope.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dunwoody to be affixed this 1st day of April, 2013.

**CITY OF DUNWOODY**

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Michael G. Davis, Mayor

Attest:

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Sharon Lowery, City Clerk