

Proclamation

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF SANDY CITY UTAH RECOGNIZING ALZHEIMER'S & BRAIN DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Utah is observing Alzheimer's & Brain Disease Awareness Month during June; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease is a progressive neurodegenerative brain disorder that tragically robs individuals of their memories and leads to progressive mental and physical impairments; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 5.4 million Americans have Alzheimer's disease, 30,000 in our state alone; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease is the sixth leading cause of death in the U.S., and this fatal disease is a serious and growing threat to the health of our world; and

WHEREAS, the human cost of Alzheimer's disease is staggering and in Utah there were 148,000 caregivers providing 169,000,000 total hours of unpaid care at a value of over \$2.1 billion in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the city of Sandy has an estimated 1,000 residents currently living with Alzheimer's with over 3,000 unpaid care providers at a value of \$3,425,700; and

WHEREAS, according to the Alzheimer's Association, Women are 2/3 times more likely to develop Alzheimer's than men. Latinos are 1.5 times more likely to develop Alzheimer's than older whites due to conditions like high blood pressure and diabetes which increase the risk of developing Alzheimer's, while African-Americans are twice as likely; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sandy recognizes the efforts of the Alzheimer's Association to raise funds and promote awareness to fight Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, thereby improving the quality of human life for those living with Alzheimer's disease and their care partners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY MAYOR THOMAS DOLAN AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANDY UTAH: THE MONTH OF JUNE IS HEREBY RECOGNIZED AS ALZHEIMER'S & BRAIN DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

Tom Dolan, Mayor
Sandy City

Stephen P. Smith, Chair
Sandy City Council