

# PROCLAMATION

## *Disability Awareness Month - October 2008*

**WHEREAS,** in 1945 Congress enacted Public Law 176 to establish October as National "Employ the Physically Handicapped Week." In 1988 Congress expanded the week to a month, which eventually became recognized as Disability Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS,** efforts continue to be made creating opportunities for greater independence, inclusive of education, access to information, and involvement with the community for people with disabilities and their families; and

**WHEREAS,** thousands face challenges with disabilities daily, and communities are committed to establishing possibilities to encourage independence, productivity and integration of individuals with disabilities; and


**WHEREAS,** as a community, much can be done to help teach the value of diversity and accept the uniqueness of all people.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Elk Grove, along with the City of Elk Grove Disability Advisory Committee proclaims October 2008 as Disability Awareness Month in the City of Elk Grove and asks the community to join in honoring individuals with disabilities.


**SIGNED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

  
GARY DAVIS, MAYOR

  
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ATTEST:

  
SUSAN J. BLACKSTON, CITY CLERK