

# Proclamation



## AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT DAY

JULY 26, 2018

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was passed on July 26, 1990 to ensure the civil rights of citizens with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, today marks the 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the ADA, which expanded access and opportunities for people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia, Office of Disability Rights, the DC Commission Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Disability Services, and other District of Columbia government agencies, have made substantial contributions to the quality of life for District residents who have disabilities; and

WHEREAS, all District government agencies and residents join together to affirm the principals of equality and inclusion for persons with disabilities as set forth for the District of Columbia and is embodied in the ADA and the laws of the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia government and residents are proud to recognize the accomplishments and contributions of our citizens with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Washington, DC is committed to achieving greater social, economic and personal independence for individuals with disabilities:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim July 26, 2018, in Washington, DC as "AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT DAY".

