

PROCLAMATION

Special Recognition of American Diabetes Awareness Month

WHEREAS, nearly 30 million Americans, including 1.3 million Ohioans (or 10.3% of the Ohio population), live with and manage the day-to-day challenges of diabetes; and

WHEREAS, diabetes is a serious disease with potentially life-threatening and devastating complications, including heart disease, stroke, blindness, kidney disease and amputation; and

WHEREAS, if present trends continue, 1 in 3 Americans will have diabetes in 2050, according to the Centers for Disease Control; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of diagnosed diabetes in the U.S. is \$245 billion; and

WHEREAS, Hudson citizen and 11 year old student Aiden Dine, a dedicated diabetes advocate, by invitation from the American Diabetes Association, spoke on Capitol Hill on April 7, 2016, on behalf of all U.S. youth who battle diabetes, met with members of Congress to urge an increase in funding and continued support for diabetes initiatives, helped launch *Team Tackle!*, which pairs the American Diabetes Association with more than 45 professional football players to raise public awareness about diabetes and previously testified before members of the Ohio House of Representatives as a proponent of HB 264 to keep children with diabetes medically safe at school, all while raising over \$10,000 to support the efforts of the American Diabetes Association; and

WHEREAS, the American Diabetes Association has named November as American Diabetes Month® to salute Americans with diabetes and raise diabetes awareness.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David A. Basil, Mayor of the City of Hudson, Ohio, do hereby proclaim November, 2016, as

"American Diabetes Awareness Month"

in Hudson, Ohio, and encourage citizens to recognize those who struggle with diabetes, to help raise community awareness about the disease, and to be part of the American Diabetes Association's movement to confront, fight and, most importantly, change the future of this deadly disease.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF:

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Hudson to be affixed on this 1st day of November, 2016.

David A. Basil, Mayor City of Hudson, Ohio