

CITY OF WOBURN
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS



Mayor's Office
AUTISM AWARENESS DAY—APRIL 2, 2021

WHEREAS, Autism is the fastest growing developmental disability in the United States, affecting 1 in 59 children—including many children here in our own community; and

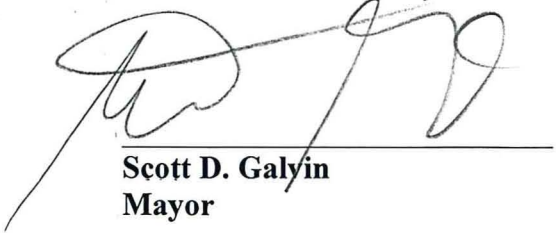
WHEREAS; The effort to address autism continues as doctors, therapists, educators, and families dedicate themselves to helping persons with autism overcome or adjust to its challenges by providing early and accurate diagnoses and appropriate education, intervention, therapy and community support—all of which are vital to future growth and development; and

WHEREAS, Woburn is home to loving, supportive families affected by autism, and a strong, growing network of community leaders—from the Mayor's Office to the Police Department and the Superintendent's Office to classrooms across the City, and programs such as NuPath, Best Buddies and Challenger Sports Leagues—all who are implementing integrated programs that help children with autism communicate, learn, grow, socialize, and make friends.

THEREFORE, Today, we join communities around the world by lighting up Woburn Common in the color of blue for the month of April to help raise awareness about the everyday challenges of people living with autism, and to educate ourselves about the ways we can better support them and the devoted families who love and care for them around the clock.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Mayor Scott D. Galvin, by virtue of the authority vested in me, Woburn, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, do hereby kick off Autism Awareness Month by proclaiming *April 2, 2021 Autism Awareness Day* in the City of Woburn, and encourage citizens to increase their awareness of families and children living with autism.

*GIVEN under my hand and the Seal
of the City of Woburn,
Massachusetts, this 2nd day of April,
two thousand and twenty-one.*



Scott D. Galvin
Mayor