



Proclamation Template

THE COUNTY OF _____

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WHEREAS, in 1988, Congress declared the month of October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month to recognize the contributions made by individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, a diverse workforce creates opportunity for growth and helps toward building a stronger economy for our city; and

WHEREAS, our residents with disabilities deserve the right to live independently, enjoy self-determination and be treated equally in the workplace; and

WHEREAS, The Able Trust, also known as the Florida Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation, has worked with employers and community organizations throughout the state to enable thousands of Florida's citizens with disabilities to enter the workforce; and

WHEREAS, Florida's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and Division of Blind Services within the Department of Education, and the Agency for Persons with Disabilities assists people with disabilities so they may become employed; and

WHEREAS, these organizations have an overwhelming impact on the lives of many of Florida's citizens with disabilities by offering services including job placement assistance, training, support services, and job coaching; and

WHEREAS, County (*or City*) of _____ joins the rest of the Florida in recognizing the contributions of the 2.8 million Floridians with disabilities by celebrating October 2022 as Disability Employment Awareness Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _____, (*County or City Leader's Name and Title*), on behalf of _____ (*County or City*) and the citizens of our community take great pride in recognizing October 2022, as

"Disability Employment Awareness Month"

a month of special importance and worthy of the recognition of the citizens of _____ County (*or City*).

(Signatures Below)