



## PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

**WHEREAS**, Alzheimer's disease is an irreversible and progressive brain disease that slowly erodes precious memories, thinking skills and the ability to perform simple tasks; and

**WHEREAS**, over 5 million Americans are living with this disease. Every 66 seconds someone is diagnosed. By the year 2050, up to 16 million will have the disease; and

**WHEREAS**, Alzheimer's is the only cause of death among the top 10 in America that cannot be prevented, or cured; and

**WHEREAS**, one in five care contributors cut back on their own doctor visits, food and transportation because of their care responsibilities; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2016, the direct costs to American society of caring for those with Alzheimer's will total an estimated \$236 billion, with just under half of the costs borne by Medicare; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Fairview offers its support to those living with Alzheimer's disease, and to recognize those who cares and provides for them, sharing their loved one's emotional, physical and financial strains. We honor their compassion, remember those we have lost, and press toward the next scientific breakthrough.

**NOW, THEREFORE I**, Phillip Thomas, Mayor of Fairview, do hereby proclaim September 15, 2016 as

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and for the Town of Fairview to call upon its citizens to learn more about Alzheimer's disease and to support the individuals living with this disease and their caregivers.

*In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.*

  
Phillip Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST: 

