

PROCLAMATION

Dyslexia Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of La Habra desires to support organizations which serve to impact the lives of individuals and families not only in our community, but throughout our country; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Habra honors the Inland Empire Branch of the International Dyslexia Association on the occasion of the 4th annual Dyslexia Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, dyslexic men, women and children experience serious difficulties in learning to read, write, spell and in some cases, use numbers because of a neurological difference that results in a reversed or jumbled perception of symbols that constitute our language; and

WHEREAS, without an individual approach geared to their specific language learning disability, those with dyslexia may remain either illiterate or severely hindered, unable to properly use an intellectual potential which is often extremely high; and

WHEREAS, undetected and untreated, dyslexia becomes a silentcrippler leading to unwarranted and unnecessary frustration and failure; and

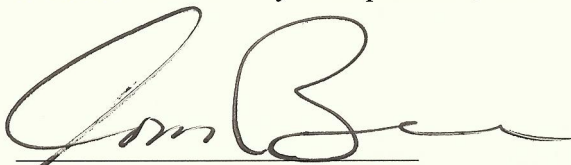
WHEREAS, early identification, alternative instruction, and extra support from teachers, families and friends enable dyslexic people to achieve in school and employment;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, I, Tom Beamish, as Mayor of the City of La Habra, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 2009 as

Dyslexia Awareness Month

and encourage all residents to recognize the benefits of early identification and urge support of our local agencies who assist those with dyslexia and similar language processing disorders.

DATED this 25th day of September, 2009.


Tom Beamish, Mayor


Attest: Tamara D. Mason, CMC
City Clerk