PROCLAMATION

Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month March 2024

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system, affecting nearly 1 million people in the United States alone; and

WHEREAS, MS generally strikes people in the prime of life, between ages 20 through 50, and the cause and course of the often debilitating symptoms of MS remain unknown and no cure currently exists; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is committed to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and providing insight into the disease; and

WHEREAS, together we have transformed what it means to live with MS and provided global leadership to help achieve our vision of a world free of MS; and

WHEREAS, since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatments and a cure and has invested more than \$1 billion in groundbreaking research; and

WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel research on pathways to MS cures and invest in the MS research workforce at the best medical centers, universities and other institutions throughout the U.S. and abroad, leading to many breakthroughs in the treatment of MS; and

WHEREAS, the City of De Pere will once again compete in the "Walk MS Appleton vs. De Pere City Challenge" to raise money for the National MS Society's mission to cure MS while empowering people affected by MS to live their best lives; and

WHEREAS, the City of De Pere recognizes the importance of finding the cause of and cure for MS and expresses its appreciation for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society – Wisconsin has shown toward creating a world free of MS.

THEREFORE, I, James G. Boyd, Mayor of the City of De Pere, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 2024 as MS Awareness month, and commend observance by all citizens. I further encourage all De Pere residents to learn about MS, as well as educate themselves as to what they can do to support individuals with MS and their families.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the City of De Pere, Wisconsin, this day of March 2024.

CITY OF DE PERE, WISCONSIN

James G. Boyd, Mayor

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