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WHEREAS, Autism is a complex neurological and development condition that typically appears in the first three years of life; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates one of every 66 people in the United States has been identified with an autism spectrum disorder; and

WHEREAS, Autism spectrum disorders are lifelong conditions and can have an impact on the families of affected individuals; and

WHEREAS, although a cure for autism has not been found, persons with autism spectrum disorders can be helped to reach their greatest potential with early diagnosis and aggressive, consistent therapy; and

WHEREAS, through research legislation, training, support groups, advocacy and increased awareness, we will make positive changes and meet the challenges of serving a growing number of Clark County residents with autism spectrum disorders;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Scott Higgins, Mayor of Camas, do hereby proclaim **April 2015**, as

“Autism Acceptance Month”

in Camas, Washington and encourage all citizens to seek a better understanding and acceptance of autism and autism spectrum disorders.



In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Camas to be affixed this 20th day of April, 2015.

Scott Higgins, Mayor