



## City of Waco

*I, VIRGINIA DuPUY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Waco, Texas, do hereby Proclaim:*

*APRIL 2010*

*as*

*“AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH”*

*in the City of Waco, and urge the people of Waco to join with the City Council, the City staff, and me in recognizing Autism Spectrum Disorder, which affects one child out of every 110 births. Eleven in one thousand Texas children have an autism spectrum disorder.*

*The quality of life for people with ASD is determined by their access to appropriate screening, treatment, education, and life skills training. Access to resources are critical to the goal of ensuring that everyone with an ASD live as independently as possible, as a full and productive member of our community, and substantially reduces the tremendous cost to society of lifelong system care.*

*During Autism Awareness Month, we recognize the Heart of Texas Autism Network, the Arc of McLennan County, and the Baylor Autism Resource Center for the support and encouragement they provide for those in our community who live with autism, and we renew our commitment to increase awareness of this puzzling disorder.*

*In testimony whereof, witness my hand and the Seal of the City of Waco this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D., 2010.*

Virginia DuPuy  
Mayor

Alice Rodriguez  
Council Member, District II

Toni Herbert  
Council Member, District IV

Attest:

Patricia W. Ervin  
City Secretary

Wilbert Austin, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Council Member, District I

Randy H. Riggs  
Council Member, District III

Jim Bush  
Council Member, District V

