



The City of Minneapolis

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

**By B. Johnson, Reich, Gordon, Frey, Yang, Warsame, Goodman,
Glidden, Cano, Bender, Quincy, A. Johnson, and Palmisano**

Declaring June 20, 2016, as National Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Day

Whereas, June is Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Month, and the Alzheimer’s Association would like to ask for support in raising awareness of Alzheimer’s; and

Whereas, simply by having a brain, every person in your community is at risk for developing Alzheimer’s, a fatal disease that cannot be prevented, treated, or even slowed; and

Whereas, worldwide, there are at least 44 million people living with Alzheimer’s and other dementias, and without a change, these numbers are expected to grow to 76 million by 2030; and

Whereas, Alzheimer’s is the sixth-leading cause of death in the United States, and one in three seniors dies with Alzheimer’s or another dementia; and

Whereas, 5.4 million Americans are living with Alzheimer’s. An estimated 5.2 million people are age 65 and older, and approximately 200,000 individuals are under age 65 (younger-onset Alzheimer’s); and

Whereas, only 45% of people with Alzheimer’s disease or their caregivers report being told of their diagnosis, while over 90% of people with the four most common types of cancer have been told of their diagnosis; and

Whereas, in 2015, 15.9 million family and friends provided 18.1 billion hours of unpaid care to those with Alzheimer’s and other dementias. That care had an estimated economic value of \$221.3 billion; and

Whereas, the Longest Day is a team event to raise funds and awareness for the Alzheimer’s Association. Held annually on the summer solstice, the duration of this sunrise-to-sunset event symbolizes the challenging journey of those living with the disease, and their caregivers. Teams are encouraged to create their own experience as they fundraise and participate in an activity they love to honor someone facing the disease;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the City Council declares the 20th Day of June 2016 to be National Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Day in the City of Minneapolis and that the 35W Bridge be lit in purple on this day.

Passed this the 13th Day of May, 2016

Barbara A. Johnson, President of the Council

Approved:

Betsy Hodges, Mayor

Attest:

Casey Carl, City Clerk