

## **Inclusion Day**

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton would like to proclaim Wednesday, March 6th as Inclusion Day; and

WHEREAS, inclusion day is in which individuals with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities will live, work and play alongside each other in a fully inclusive community; and

WHEREAS, globally, more than 200 million people with intellectual and developmental disabilities live each day excluded and isolated from their non-disabled peers; and

WHEREAS, we believe the world will be better when all people are valued, respected, embraced and included – included in the schools we attend, in the games we play, the friends we make and our community we live and work in; and

WHEREAS, Brighton High School has a Unified Program with a participation of 23 students with and without intellectual and development disabilities along with five coaches; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Program is part of the Special Olympics Colorado which provides participation with other athletes to build confidence and create opportunities to participate as productive and respected members of society by increasing public awareness of the athletes' capabilities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that I, Kenneth J. Kreutzer, Mayor of the City of Brighton, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> as Inclusion Day and challenge each resident of the City of Brighton to make a difference by joining us in this proclamation.

**DATED** this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 2019.

CITY OF BRIGHTON

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