

Proclamation

April 2026 as Autism Awareness Month

WHEREAS, autism is a developmental disability characterized by atypical development in socialization, communication, and behavior; and

WHEREAS, children typically display autism symptoms before turning three years old and often exhibit abnormalities in cognitive functioning, learning, attention, and sensory processing; and

WHEREAS, according to the Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring Network, a program funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, autism affects about 1 in every 31 children in the United States, and can affect anyone, regardless of race, ethnicity, or other factors; and

WHEREAS, the parents, relatives, and caregivers of individuals with autism are commended for their dedication and sacrifice in providing for the special needs of individuals with autism; and

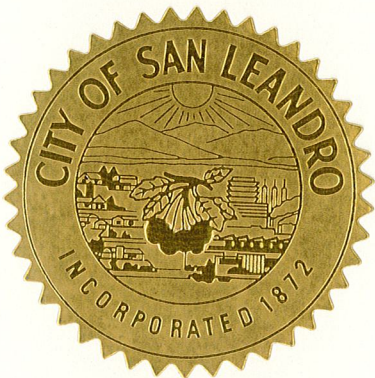
WHEREAS, worker training programs that are tailored to the needs of autistic individuals are vital, as people with autism can often serve as productive members of the workforce and exemplary members of the community, especially when given appropriate support, training, and early intervention services; and

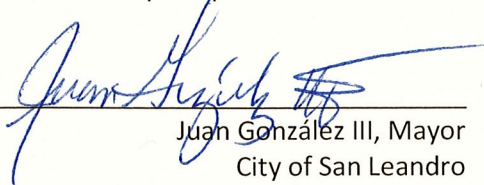
WHEREAS, the U.S. House and Senate introduced concurrent resolutions on February 25, 2008, recognizing the importance of autism awareness, of the need to support individuals with autism, and of the family members, teachers, physicians, and other professionals who care for individuals with autism; and

WHEREAS, individuals with autism, like all others, should have the opportunity to realize their ambitions and lead rewarding lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Juan González III, Mayor of the City of San Leandro, do hereby proclaim April 2026 as "**Autism Awareness Month**" in the City of San Leandro, as a symbol of our commitment to creating a culture of disability awareness and inclusion for all members of our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Leandro to be affixed this first day of April 2026.





Juan González III, Mayor
City of San Leandro