



Proclamation

AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

*From Mayor George Flaggs, Jr. and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen
City of Vicksburg, Mississippi*

WHEREAS, autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a complex developmental condition that affects communication, behavior, and social interaction, and affects an estimated 1 in 36 children in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness, early diagnosis, and early intervention are vital to the long-term development and success of individuals living with autism; and

WHEREAS, Autism Awareness Month serves as an opportunity to educate our community, promote inclusion, acceptance, and respect for individuals with autism, and recognize the unique talents and strengths they bring to our city; and

WHEREAS, the City of Vicksburg stands with individuals with autism and their families, and supports efforts to improve services, increase opportunities, and create a more inclusive and supportive environment for all; and

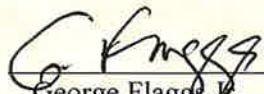
WHEREAS, organizations, advocates, educators, and families in our community work tirelessly throughout the year to support individuals with autism and spread awareness, compassion, and understanding.

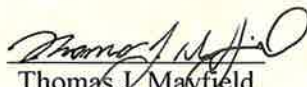
NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Flaggs, Mayor of the City of Vicksburg, along with Thomas J. Mayfield, Ward I Alderman, and Alex J. Monsour, Jr., Ward II Alderman, do hereby proclaim the month of **April 2025 as:**


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in the City of Vicksburg and encourage all citizens to support autism awareness, acceptance, and inclusion efforts in our community.

IN OFFICIAL RECOGNITION WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and have affixed the Official Seal of the City of Vicksburg on this 7th day of April in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Five.


George Flaggs, Jr.
Mayor


Thomas J. Mayfield
Alderman, Ward 1


Alex J. Monsour, Jr.
Alderman, Ward 2

