

PROCLAMATION
ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS MONTH
November 2017

Whereas, Alzheimer's disease is an irreversible and progressive brain disease that slowly erodes precious memories, thinking skills, and the ability to perform simple tasks; and

Whereas, every 66 seconds someone develops Alzheimer's, and by 2050 someone will develop the disease every 33 seconds; and

Whereas, worldwide, nearly 44 million people have Alzheimer's or related dementia; and

Whereas, in the United States there are 5.3 million people living with Alzheimer's disease and unless a cure is found it is estimated that as many as 16 million will have the disease by 2050; and

Whereas, nearly two-thirds of those with Alzheimer's disease are women; and

Whereas, Alzheimer's is the 6th leading cause of death in the United States.

Now, Therefore, We the Ashe County Board of Commissioners, proclaims November 2017 as recognition of Alzheimer's disease Awareness Month and encourages the citizens of Ashe County to support efforts to call upon its citizens to learn more about Alzheimer's disease and to support the individuals living with this disease and their caregivers.

Duly adopted this 20th day of November, 2017.

William Sands, Chairman

Ashe County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Ann J. Clark, MMC, NCCCC

Clerk to the Board