



Proclamation

Whereas, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system, affecting more than 2.8 million people worldwide; and

Whereas, 21,000 people in the State of Illinois are living with MS, and the cause and course of MS remain unknown and no cure currently exists; and

Whereas, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has committed 78 years of MS research, pursuing prevention, treatments and a cure, and has invested more than \$1 billion in research; and

Whereas, Funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel funding for research projects throughout the U.S. and abroad, leading to many breakthroughs in treatment; and

Whereas, the City of Washington recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its appreciation for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Central Illinois Community Council has shown toward creating a world free of MS;

Now, therefore, I Gary W. Manier, Mayor of the City of Washington, Illinois, on behalf of the Washington City Council, do hereby proclaim, March 10th through March 16th as

“MS Awareness Week”

Proclaimed this 4th day of March, 2024

Gary W. Manier, Mayor

ATTEST: Valeri L Brod, City Clerk