



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, over 5 million Americans and an estimated over 121,000 Alabamians are estimated to have a developmental disability or delay; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Shelby County was founded in 1974 by a group of concerned parents and is celebrating its 45th Anniversary of service to Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Shelby County serves over 1,500 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Shelby County each year; and

WHEREAS, through advocacy, coaching, and support, The Arc of Shelby County empowers individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to achieve their goals; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Shelby County provides early intervention services to hundreds of children and families in Shelby County each year and is the largest early intervention program solely serving Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Shelby County's Employment Program supports hundreds of individuals in competitive community-based employment through partnerships with Shelby County businesses; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Shelby County's Community Living program assists hundreds of individuals throughout Shelby County with accessing programs and services and will expand in October of 2019 to begin offering day services and residential services; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Shelby County is located in the City of Pelham and is a proud member of the Pelham business community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gary Waters, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Pelham, Shelby County, Alabama, do hereby congratulate and join in celebrating

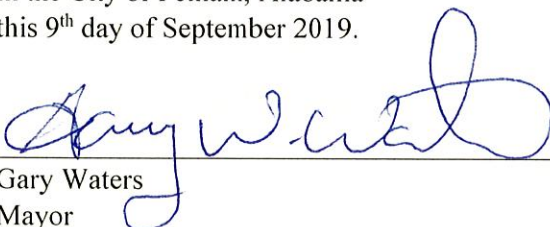
THE ARC OF SHELBY COUNTY'S 45TH ANNIVERSARY

in Pelham, Alabama.

FURTHERMORE, I urge that all citizens of Pelham, Alabama join in celebrating this milestone and give their full support of efforts towards supporting this worthy organization and their efforts in our community.



Given under my hand,
in the City of Pelham, Alabama
this 9th day of September 2019.


Gary Waters
Mayor