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MAYORAL PROCLAMATION 2014 MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS (MS) WEEK

WHEREAS, Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system, affecting 2.3 million people worldwide, and each hour someone is newly diagnosed; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Western PA Chapter reports that in our Commonwealth more than 28,000 people are diagnosed with MS, and that the disease generally strikes people in the prime of life, between ages 20 through 50, and causes unpredictable effects in which the progression, severity and specific symptoms cannot be foreseen, and the cause and cure for this often debilitating disease remain unknown; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Western PA Chapter has been committed for more than 67 years to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and insight into the disease, and

WHEREAS, since 1946 the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatment and a cure and has invested more than 771 million dollars in groundbreaking research; and

WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel the efforts of nearly 325 research projects globally totaling 40 million dollars annually at the best medical centers, universities and other institutions throughout the United States and abroad. Because of this MS research has never been more hopeful than it is today; and

WHEREAS, discovering the cause, finding a cure, and preventing future generations from being diagnosed with MS is an important task that all Americans and Pennsylvanians should support; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Brentwood recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS, a chronic and often devastating disease, and expresses its appreciation and admiration for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Western PA Chapter has shown toward a future free of MS;

NOW THEREFORE, I, DENNIS H. TROY, Mayor of Brentwood Borough, on this date, February 24, 2014, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania do hereby proclaim March 3-9, 2014 as MS Awareness Week and do comment this observance to all of our citizens. I encourage all Pennsylvanians to learn more about multiple sclerosis and what they can do to support individuals with MS and their families.

Respectfully,


Dennis H. Troy, Mayor
Borough of Brentwood Borough

