



Proclamation

Walk to End Alzheimer's

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, in the United States, there are more than 5 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, the Alzheimer's Association is the world's leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research, with the vision of a world without Alzheimer's disease; and

WHEREAS, as the county of Albemarle offers its support to those living with Alzheimer's disease, we also recognize those who care and provide for them, sharing their loved one's emotional, physical and financial strains. We honor their compassion, remember those we have lost, and press toward the next great scientific breakthrough.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim

October 8, 2016 as Walk to End Alzheimer's Day

and encourage all citizens to learn more about Alzheimer's disease and to support the individuals living with this disease and their caregivers.

Signed and sealed this 5th day of October, 2016

Liz Palmer, Chair
Albemarle Board of County Supervisors