

# *Proclamation of the City of San Pablo*

RECOGNIZING APRIL 2026 AS

## *AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH*

*WHEREAS, Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a lifelong developmental condition that affects communication, social interaction, and behavior, impacting individuals and their families in unique ways; and*

*WHEREAS, autism is one of the fastest-growing developmental disorders in the United States, with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimating that 1 in 36 children are diagnosed with ASD; and*

*WHEREAS, increased awareness, early diagnosis, and intervention, along with accessible resources, can greatly improve the quality of life for individuals with autism and their families; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of San Pablo recognizes the importance of promoting acceptance, inclusion, and opportunities for individuals with autism to live full and meaningful lives as valued members of our community; and*

*WHEREAS, organizations, advocates, educators, and families in San Pablo work tirelessly to support individuals with autism, providing resources, education, and encouragement to ensure their success; and*

*WHEREAS, April is recognized nationally and globally as Autism Awareness Month, serving as an opportunity to increase public understanding and acceptance of autism and to inspire a more inclusive society;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado, Mayor of the City of San Pablo, on behalf of the City Council, encourage all residents, businesses, and organizations to join in efforts to support individuals with autism and their families, foster a culture of understanding and acceptance, and promote inclusive opportunities for all.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Pablo to be affixed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026.*

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*Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado, Mayor*