

# PROCLAMATION

*By Mayor and Council – Township of North Brunswick*

**WHEREAS**, over 70 million people with disabilities live in every community across the United States, comprising nearly one-quarter of the nation's population; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 40.2 million eligible voters in the United States are people with disabilities, representing close to one-sixth of the total electorate; and

**WHEREAS**, the disability community has a vital stake in local, state, and national policies and decisions that directly effect our daily lives; and

**WHEREAS**, accessible voting is essential to ensure that these policies reflect the needs, experiences, and priorities of people with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, voting is one way for the disability community to have a say in the people and policies that impact our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, REV UP, which stands for "Register! Educate! Vote! Use your Power!" is a national nonpartisan effort to build civic engagement in the disability community and improve election accessibility; and

**WHEREAS**, the REV UP movement was created by grassroots disabled activists and is driven by the power of local leaders and the belief that meaningful change starts at the community level; and

**WHEREAS**, members of the cross-disability community are organizing the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Disability Voting Rights Week from September 8<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025, with activities and events taking place across the country; and

**NOW THEREFORE, WE** the Mayor and Council of the Township of North Brunswick, **Do Hereby Proclaim**, the week of September 8<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> 2025, as Disability Voting Rights Week, and encourages residents, leaders, and organizations to engage, educate, and promote the power of the disability community.

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Francis M. Womack, III  
Mayor of North Brunswick

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Amanda Guadagnino, Council President

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Lisa Russo, Township Clerk  
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