CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS COUNCIL RESOLUTION

September 11, 2013

No. 13-23

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SPINAL CORD INJURY AWARENESS MONTH CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Spinal Cord Injury Association (MNSCIA) is committed to enriching the lives of people in Minnesota who have been impacted by spinal cord injury or paralysis. Members include people who have incurred paralysis or disability due to a spinal cord injury, their families and friends, healthcare and rehabilitation professionals, policy makers, and corporations;

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Spinal Cord Injury Association is recognizing September 2013 as Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month and understands the need for increased awareness, education, resources, and the investment in research here in Minnesota to continue to improve the quality of life for individuals with spinal cord injuries;

WHEREAS, every 48 minutes someone in the United States is paralyzed from some form of a spinal cord injury;

WHEREAS, currently there are an estimated 1,275,000 individuals in the United States who live with a spinal cord injury, and an estimated 100,000 of those individuals are veterans who were impacted by spinal cord injuries while serving as members of the United States Armed Forces;

WHEREAS, there are approximately 12,000 additional spinal cord injuries in the United States each year, with 300 being here in Minnesota;

WHEREAS, accidents are the leading cause of spinal cord injuries and spinal cord injuries do not discriminate;

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Spinal Cord Injury Association, along with their collaborative partners Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute, Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare, Medtronic, and Unite 2 Fight Paralysis, commends the dedication of local, regional and national organizations, researchers, doctors, volunteers, and individuals that are working to improve the quality of life for individuals, family and friends of those impacted by spinal cord injuries.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Falcon Heights City Council formally designates the month of September, 2013, as SPINAL CORD INJURY AWARENESS MONTH in the City of Falcon Heights.

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