

Proclamation



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Disability Voting Rights Week September 9 - 13, 2024

- WHEREAS,** there are over 61 million people with disabilities of all ages living in communities throughout the United States; and
- WHEREAS,** over 38 million Americans with disabilities are eligible voters; and
- WHEREAS,** the disability community has a critical interest in policies and decisions made and enacted at local, state, and national levels that impact our lives directly; and
- WHEREAS,** ensuring that people with disabilities have access to voting is essential for these policies to meet the real needs of people with disabilities in our communities; 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 effort to build the power of the disability community; and
- WHEREAS,** members of the national disability rights community are organizing the 6th annual Disability Voting Rights Week September 9-13, 2024; and
- WHEREAS,** the City of Northampton strongly supports preserving and expanding options for voting that best ensure accessibility and remove all barriers to involvement for the disability community; and so
- NOW,**
THEREFORE, I, Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra, do hereby proclaim September 9-13, 2024, to be:

Disability Voting Rights Week

in the City of Northampton.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and have imprinted the Seal of the City of Northampton on this 6th day of September, 2024.




Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra