



## PROCLAMATION

Whereas, brain health is critical to everyone's well-being; and

Whereas, the brain is an organ susceptible to disease and disorder have biological and neurological basis and often can be successfully treated, and

Whereas, awareness and education is pivotal to end the stigma around mental illness; and

Whereas, 1 in 5 adults live with a brain health issue and now during the pandemic this has never been more prevalent.

Whereas, with effective education, coordinated services, and treatment, those individuals with brain health issues and those that provide services to those individuals can work together for recovery in a stigma-free environment; and

Whereas, the local Brain Health Task Force and Dubuque County Stakeholders Group consist of local services providers, public health, treatment facilities, policy makers, non-profit members, advocacy groups, and those directly impacted by Brain Health disorders are working to address the community needs and provide education and advocacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY D. BUOL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DUBUQUE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL, STAFF AND CITIZENS OF DUBUQUE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 2020 AS

### **“BRAIN HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH”**

IN THE CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA, AND URGE DUBUQUE RESIDENTS TO RECOMMIT OUR COMMUNITY TO INCREASING AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING OF BRAIN HEALTH AND THE NEED FOR UNDERSTANDING, ACCEPTANCE, AND AWARENESS OF ALL PEOPLE WITH BRIAN HEALTH ISSUES

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Dubuque to be affixed this 5 day of October 2020.

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Roy D. Buol, Mayor

Attest:

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Kevin S. Firnstahl, CMC, City Clerk

2020: Submitted and accepted by Debi Butler and Mary Rose Corrigan