Proclamation

Office of the Mayor

Juvenile Diabetes Awareness Month

Whereas, diabetes is a chronic disease that affects how the body turns food into energy, and it continues to be one of the most prevalent health challenges in the United States, impacting millions of Americans of all ages, backgrounds, and walks of life; and

Whereas, Type 1 diabetes, also known as juvenile diabetes, is an autoimmune condition in which the body's immune system attacks and destroys the insulin-producing cells in the pancreas, requiring lifelong insulin therapy and careful daily management; and

Whereas, unlike Type 2 diabetes, Type 1 diabetes is not preventable and often develops suddenly, most commonly in children and young adults, though it can occur at any age; and

Whereas, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), approximately 244,000 children and adolescents in the United States under the age of 20 are living with diagnosed diabetes, with the majority having Type 1 diabetes; and

Whereas, managing juvenile diabetes requires constant monitoring of blood glucose levels, balancing food intake and physical activity, and administering insulin placing a significant emotional and financial burden on affected individuals and their families; and

Whereas, research continues to advance treatments and technologies that improve quality of life for those living with Type 1 diabetes, while organizations such as the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) work tirelessly toward prevention, improved management, and ultimately a cure; and

Whereas, Juvenile Diabetes Awareness Month provides an opportunity to raise public understanding of Type 1 diabetes, promote early detection of symptoms, and recognize the strength and resilience of children, teens, and families managing this condition every day; and

Whereas, the City of Sunrise commends the healthcare professionals, educators, advocates, and community organizations dedicated to supporting those affected by juvenile diabetes through awareness, research, and compassionate care; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Ryan, Mayor of the City of Sunrise, Florida together with the City Commissioners hereby proclaim the month of November 2025 as **Juvenile Diabetes Awareness Month** in the City of Sunrise, and encourage all residents to increase their understanding of Type 1 diabetes, support ongoing research, and stand with the children and families who courageously live with this disease each day.



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The City of Sunrise, Florida

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Michael J. Ryan, Mayor