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OCTOBER PROCLAIMED DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH BY THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE

(Rockledge, FL, October 5, 2023) BAC is thrilled to announce that The City of Rockledge has redeclared the month of October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM), joining the nation in recognizing the contributions of individuals with disabilities in the workforce and promoting a more inclusive and diverse workplace environment.

NDEAM, observed annually in October, is a nationwide campaign that raises awareness about disability employment issues and celebrates the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities. The theme for NDEAM 2023 is "America's Workforce: Inclusion Drives Innovation."

This proclamation reflects the City of Rockledge's commitment to fostering an inclusive and diverse workforce where every individual, regardless of their abilities, has the opportunity to contribute their skills and talents. It acknowledges that people with disabilities are a vital part of our community and that their unique perspectives and abilities enrich our workplace and community as a whole.

BAC President and Chief Executive Officer, Amar Patel stated, "We are proud to have Mayor Thomas J. Price and the City or Rockledge recognize National Disability Employment Awareness Month and to reaffirm our commitment to inclusivity and diversity in the workplace. By embracing the talents and skills of individuals with disabilities, we create a stronger, more innovative, and more resilient community."

The City of Rockledge encourages local businesses, organizations, and residents to join in celebrating NDEAM by promoting inclusive hiring practices and raising awareness about the value of an inclusive workforce. Creating inclusive workplaces not only benefits individuals with disabilities but also contributes to a more prosperous and equitable society.

For more information about NDEAM or to find resources on creating inclusive workplaces, please visit <u>bacemploy.com</u>.



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ABOUT BAC

BAC is a social enterprise dedicated to building communities that support members of unique abilities in growing their own personal success. BAC's empowerment programs provide life enrichment opportunities to those with significant disabilities and help more than 1,200 people find meaningful purpose in their lives.

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