

PROCLAIMS MARCH 2010 AS ARC AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, intellectual and developmental disabilities are conditions which affect more than 7 million Americans and their families; and

WHEREAS, public awareness and education enhance a community's understanding of the issues affecting people with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, people with intellectual and developmental disabilities can be vital and vibrant members of our communities, improving the quality of life for all of us; and

WHEREAS, the month of March has been designated Arc Awareness Month by the State of New Jersey with 20 chapters of The Arc undertaking public awareness, educational and fundraising initiatives; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Monmouth serves over 1200 individuals with intellectual disabilities throughout Monmouth County and advocates for and with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families; and

WHEREAS, The Arc of Monmouth is celebrating 60 years of service to families and individuals throughout Monmouth County.

THEREFORE, Honorable Julie Schreck, Mayor of Bradley Beach does hereby Proclaim March, 2010 as **ARC AWARENESS MONTH** in the Borough of Bradley Beach, New Jersey and urges that the citizens of Bradley Beach, New Jersey give full support to efforts towards enabling people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live full and productive lives of inclusion in our communities.

Dated: February 9, 2010

Julie Schreck, Mayor

Attest: _____
Mary Ann Solinski, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk