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Infants Remembered In Silence, Inc. a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization (#41-1700704) would like to respectfully request that the city adopt a resolution endorsing October 15<sup>th</sup> as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day in accordance with the requirements within the city/county.

Infants Remembered In Silence, Inc. (IRIS) works with thousands of people across Minnesota, and across the USA, who have experienced the death of a child during pregnancy through early childhood. This includes death from miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, molar pregnancy, stillbirth, neo-natal death, sudden unexplained death of a child (SUDC), sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), birth defects, illness, accidents, and all other types of early childhood death. Many of these parents live in, deliver in, and have a child die in, or bury a child in this community.

Bereaved parents remember these children annually with a 7 pm candle lighting on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Some will remember their child/children in their homes while others will remember them in small gatherings around the state and across the nation. This resolution/proclamation would unify these parents in tribute of their children.

## **United States Government Proclamations:**

- 1988 President Ronald Reagan Proclaimed October as National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month.
- 2001 House Resolution
  107<sup>th</sup> Congress 1<sup>st</sup> Session
  H.RES.254 IH
- 2006 House Resolution 109<sup>th</sup> Congress – 1<sup>st</sup> Session H.CON.RES.222

If you do choose do adopt this proclamation/resolution you may send us any certificates via e-mail to <a href="mailto:support@irisremembers.com">support@irisremembers.com</a> or we can arrange for someone to pick it up.

Respectively submitted August 21, 2020.

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