



Legislation Text

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City Council Meeting Date: September 4, 2018

To: Mayor & City Council
City Administrator

From: Deb Little, City Clerk

Proclaim October 15 as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day as part of the “National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month” program.

Action Requested:

The Northfield City Council is being asked to approve the attached resolution proclaiming October 15, 2018 as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

Summary Report:

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 the October 15 as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

Infants Remembered In Silence, Inc. (IRIS) works with thousands of people across Minnesota and across the USA who have experienced the death of 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, 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. 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
107th Congress - 1st Session
H.RES.254 IH
- 2006 House Resolution
109th Congress - 1st Session
H.CON.RES.222