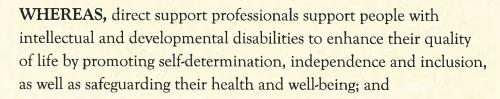
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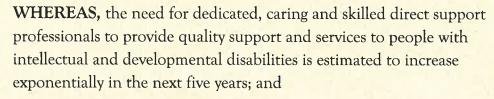


DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS WEEK

SEPTEMBER 13 - 19, 2015

WHEREAS, direct support professionals partner with and support people with intellectual developmental disabilities so that they can live full and productive lives as valued and contributing members of their families, neighborhoods, communities, and places of work and recreation; and





WHEREAS, communities and families are strengthened and enriched by the inclusion of all members of society, including people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, increased public awareness and appreciation is needed to recognize the important work and meaningful impact direct support professionals make in the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families throughout the District of Columbia:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim September 13-19, 2015, In Washington, DC as "DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS WEEK".



