



## DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS WEEK

SEPTEMBER 13 - 20, 2020

WHEREAS, by assisting with employment, social inclusion, and daily living, Direct Support Professionals partner with and support people with intellectual disabilities to help them lead productive lives as vital members of their families and communities; and



WHEREAS, during an unprecedented global pandemic, Direct Support Professionals have remained on the frontlines, providing a broad range of services that are individualized and tailored to meet each person's needs and goals; and

WHEREAS, Direct Support Professionals are essential for ensuring the health and well-being of the people they serve, making a crucial difference in the quality of life for many individuals and their families; and

WHEREAS, Direct Support Professionals Week is designed to increase public awareness and appreciation, and recognize the positive impact Direct Support Professionals make on a daily basis in the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Washington, DC:



NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR of WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim September 13-20 as "DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS WEEK!"

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