PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Myasthenia Gravis is a disorder causing extreme muscle weakness which can impact a person's ability to see, smile, walk, talk and breath and it is often misdiagnosed. It's controllable by medication and other treatments for most MG patients, and although rare, it can prove fatal; and

WHEREAS, because of its rarity (approximately 100,000 people are living with MG in the United States today), many Americans are often undiagnosed; and

WHEREAS, the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America, Inc. (MGFA) is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1952; and

WHEREAS, the MGFA's mission is to facilitate the timely diagnosis and optimal care of individuals affected by Myasthenia Gravis and to improve their lives through programs of patient services, support groups, public information, medical research, professional education, advocacy and patient care;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, TIMOTHY M. HANNA, Mayor of the City of Appleton, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 2019 as

Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month

In Appleton, and urge all residents to join with me, during this period, in an attempt to focus attention on the need for education, treatment, research, and ultimately, a cure, for the currently incurable disease.

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Signed and sealed this 11th day of June, 2019.

TIMOTHY M. HANNA MAYOR OF APPLETON