

PROCLAMATION



Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, the white cane, which every blind resident of Appleton has the right to carry, demonstrates and symbolizes the ability to achieve a full and independent life and the capacity to work productively in competitive employment; and

WHEREAS, the white cane, by allowing every blind person to move freely and safely from place to place, makes it possible for the blind and visually impaired to fully participate in and contribute to our society and to live the lives they want; and

WHEREAS, every citizen should be aware that the law requires that motorists and cyclists exercise appropriate caution when approaching a blind person carrying a white cane; and

WHEREAS, the law also calls upon employers, both public and private, to be aware of and utilize the employment skills of our blind citizens by recognizing their worth as individuals and their productive capacities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 15, 2024, as

White Cane Awareness Day

in Appleton and remind residents to recognize the white cane as a tool of independence for blind pedestrians in our community.

Signed and sealed this 25th day of September 2024.



JACOB A. WOODFORD
MAYOR OF APPLETON