

**RESOLUTION NO. 20160623-078**

**WHEREAS**, in July 2015, individuals with disabilities and their supporters celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

**WHEREAS**, more than 50 million individuals with disabilities of all ages live in communities throughout the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the disability community has a critical interest in policies enacted at local, state, and national levels that affect the integration of individuals with disabilities, young and old, into our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, getting the disability community involved in influencing public policies is essential if these policies are to meet the real needs of individuals with disabilities to live in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, voting is one way for the disability community to exert its influence at local, state, and national elections; and

**WHEREAS**, there are multiple efforts to develop disability coalitions around the issue of voting; and

**WHEREAS**, “REV UP America: Register - Educate - Vote - Use your Power” is a national effort to encourage local and/or state disability community voting coalitions; and

**WHEREAS**, members of the national disability rights community are organizing a national Disability Voter Registration Week July 11 through July 15, 2016; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

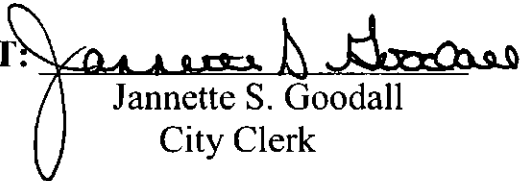
The City Council supports the growing involvement of the disability

community in the political process; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

The City Council designates the week of July 11 through 15 as National Disability Voter Registration Week.

**ADOPTED:** June 23, 2016

**ATTEST:**   
Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk