

***City of El Paso de Robles  
Proclamation***

***THE CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES RECOGNIZES***

**DISABILITY ACHIEVEMENT MONTH  
*October 2003***

***WHEREAS***, over 1,200 adults and 900 children with disabilities live in the County of San Luis Obispo and these residents with physical and mental challenges have made tremendous strides in the past ten years to live, work, and play independently; and

***WHEREAS***, adults with disabilities are earning wages through working in our communities, which reduces their dependence on governmental funds; and are living in their own homes and apartments and fully participating in their communities; and

***WHEREAS***, our community has worked hard to remove physical and psychological barriers to full participation of people with disabilities so that they can experience the satisfaction of gainful employment and increased personal independence, and children with disabilities are participating in classrooms, recreation programs, and summer camps with their same age peers without disabilities; and

***WHEREAS***, our disabled fellow citizens have repeatedly demonstrated their skills in all walks of life and have made significant contributions to every facet of our community life, and are most worthy of our commendation and encouragement..

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*** that I, Frank Mecham, Mayor of the City of El Paso de Robles, on behalf of the City Council, officially proclaim THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2003 as DISABILITY ACHIEVEMENT MONTH and hereby urge all citizens, firms and businesses to join with me in a renewed effort to provide increased opportunities for vocational training and employment for disabled persons, as a demonstration of our commitment to the principles of equality and justice on which our society is founded.

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF***, on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 2003, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Paso Robles to be affixed.

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Frank R. Mecham, Mayor