

# CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE



## *Proclamation*

### **Alzheimer's Awareness Month 2025**

**WHEREAS** Alzheimer's disease is a progressive, degenerative brain disease, tragically robbing individuals of their memories; and

**WHEREAS** in Virginia, over 165,000 people have Alzheimer's or related dementia; and in the United States, there are more than 7 million people living with Alzheimer's disease; and

**WHEREAS** nearly two-thirds of those with Alzheimer's disease are women and Alzheimer's is the 6th leading cause of death in the United States, killing more than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined; and

**WHEREAS** the Alzheimer's Association is the world's leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research, with the vision of a world without Alzheimer's disease; and

**WHEREAS** the annual Walk to End Alzheimer's offers everyone the opportunity to get involved in the fight; and

**WHEREAS**, as the city of Charlottesville offers its support to those living with Alzheimer's disease, we also recognize those who care and provide for them, sharing their loved one's emotional, physical, and financial strains. We honor their compassion, remember those we have lost, and press toward the next great scientific breakthrough;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Charlottesville City Council proclaims October 2025 to be **Alzheimer's Awareness Month**. We call upon all residents to show their support for Walk to End Alzheimer's Charlottesville on Sunday, October 26, as well as other activities that bring awareness and understanding to Alzheimer's.

Signed and dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 2025.

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Juandiego Wade, Mayor

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Kyna Thomas, Clerk