



APRAXIA AWARENESS DAY
MAY 14, 2020

WHEREAS, May 14, 2020 marks Apraxia Awareness Day during which awareness will be raised throughout Seabrook about Childhood Apraxia of Speech, a challenging neurological speech disorder; and

WHEREAS, Childhood Apraxia of Speech (CAS) is a neurological childhood speech sound disorder in which the precision and consistency of movements underlying speech are impaired in the absence of neuromuscular deficits; and

WHEREAS, unlike speech delay, the characteristics of Childhood Apraxia of Speech are likely to persist past the developmental period and requires intensive and individualized treatment; and

WHEREAS, many children with Childhood Apraxia of Speech also have phonological impairment and language impairment; and

WHEREAS, a population estimate based on clinical referral data suggests Childhood Apraxia of Speech occurs in 1-2 children per 1,000 children; and

WHEREAS, children with CAS often use Alternative or Augmented Communication (AAC) in order to supplement or replace their speech through sign language, voice output devices and picture cards; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative there be greater public awareness about childhood apraxia of speech in Seabrook, TX among community members, physicians, education professionals, policy makers, and elected officials.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Thomas G. Kolupski, on behalf of the City Council, Citizens and Employees of the City of Seabrook, do hereby recognize May 14, 2020 as Apraxia Awareness Day.




Thomas G. Kolupski, Mayor