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**City of Warren Recognizes May 14, 2026
as Apraxia Awareness Day**

WARREN, MI — The City of Warren, by official proclamation of Mayor Lori M. Stone, has designated May 14, 2026, as Apraxia Awareness Day in Warren, reaffirming the City's commitment to inclusion, accessibility, and the dignity of every resident.

Childhood Apraxia of Speech (CAS) is a neurological motor speech disorder that affects a person's ability to plan and coordinate the movements needed for speech. Children with apraxia often know what they want to say, but their brains have difficulty planning and sequencing the speech movements necessary to say words clearly and consistently. As a result, communication can be challenging and often requires intensive, individualized speech therapy.

Early identification and access to qualified speech-language therapy are critical to improving outcomes for children with apraxia. Supportive educational services, community understanding, and compassion can make a life-changing difference for families navigating the challenges of communication disorders.

For families living with apraxia, the struggle is often invisible to others. “This is a silent disability,” said Randy Brewer, father of 5-year-old Elijah, who lives with Childhood Apraxia of Speech. “My son would love to say hi to everybody, but he can’t. This invisible disability is the toughest thing to deal with. Sometimes we really feel alone.”

“Elijah is not alone, and you are not alone,” said Mayor Stone. “We are here for you. Every family deserves the opportunity to be heard, understood, and included, and the City of Warren proudly stands with families raising awareness about Childhood Apraxia of Speech.”

The City of Warren encourages residents to learn more about apraxia, support affected families, and help foster a more understanding and inclusive community for all.

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