

1 ~~Town/Village/City of~~ Millbrook  
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3 Resolution  
Trustees

4 Resolution Calling On ~~Town/Village/City of~~ Millbrook, Residents And  
5 Business Owners To Adopt The "Think Differently" Initiative To Assist Individuals  
6 With Special Needs And Their Families

7 WHEREAS, the "Think Differently" initiative is about promoting awareness and acceptance of  
8 all people, and advocating for the inclusion of all individuals living on the Autism Spectrum and  
9 with special needs; and

10 WHEREAS, our state and communities are stronger because of our diversity and differences;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) over 55 million people, or  
13 approximately 19% of Americans, have a type of disability or special need; and

14 WHEREAS, for some people with special needs, the very things that make them unique can  
15 also keep them on the sidelines, separate from those who might not understand their differences  
16 or uniqueness; and

17 WHEREAS, it is important to promote and provide guidance to those with special needs on  
18 how to access publically supported services available to them in the community; and

19 WHEREAS, it is important to encourage and educate the community and businesses on ways  
20 they can make facilities and services more accessible and on how to train staff to welcome and  
21 support special needs customers and co-workers; and

22 WHEREAS, the goal of this initiative is to provide a supportive and inclusive environment for  
23 individuals of all abilities by supporting community events that expand family friendly  
24 opportunities for people with special needs and their families; and

25 WHEREAS, adopting the "Think Differently" initiative is an important statement that our  
26 Town/Village/City officials, business owners and residents can make to show their support for  
27 the differently-abled children and adults with special needs, and their families.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the ~~Town/Village/City of~~ Millbrook  
29 residents and business owners to adopt the "Think Differently" initiative so that all are better  
30 prepared to communicate with, provide for, and support those living on the Autism Spectrum  
31 and with special needs.

Mayor Brown aye  
Dep Mayor J. Rochfort aye  
Brian Hicks - Trustee aye  
Kyle Van DeWater - Trustee aye  
Mike Herzog - Trustee aye

Nicole Zeko  
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Deputy Clerk  
Village of Millbrook