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The Long Beach Education Foundation and Verizon are collaborating with Long Beach Unified School District, Long Beach City College and California State University Long Beach through Seamless Education to increase Autism Awareness in the Greater Long Beach Community.

The Special Needs Network, Inc., is a non-profit, community-based organization that has been on the forefront of assisting low-income and working families impacted by this incurable disorder and is proud of its accomplishments by providing much needed advocacy training, outreach and resources to more than 15,000 Los Angeles County residents.

On-going collaboration among families, schools, universities, and community agencies is critical in addressing the autism epidemic. It is essential that children with Autism Spectrum Conditions are diagnosed early and provided with evidence-based interventions and treatments to reach their full potential.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors declare the month of April 2014, as “National Autism Awareness Month” throughout Los Angeles County and encourage its families, schools, universities and community agencies to support programs and work together to raise awareness of this epidemic.

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