

PROCLAMATION
Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic Week
April 24 – 29, 2006

WHEREAS, Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic of Michigan, located at 5600 Rochester Road in Troy, Michigan, is a non-profit volunteer organization serving people who cannot read standard print because of a visual, learning or other physical disability; and

WHEREAS, Their mission is “to promote educational and professional success by converting printed materials into audio format” and those audio textbooks are provided free of charge to over 9,000 Michigan members, grades kindergarten through graduate school; and

WHEREAS, The careful reading of textbooks, descriptions of graphs, charts, diagrams, maps, tables and so forth, by the dedicated and highly trained volunteers at **Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic of Michigan** gives reading-disabled students equal access to the written word; and

WHEREAS, Every year the demand for their services grows, and it is estimated that more than a quarter of a million learning disabled students ages 6 to 21 could benefit from the use of audio textbooks; and

WHEREAS, Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic of Michigan will be conducting their **12th Annual Record-a-Thon**, the purpose of which is to record as many textbooks as possible for six continuous days during the **Week of April 24 – 29, 2006**; and

WHEREAS, Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic of Michigan will start this event with a Celebrity Kickoff on **Monday, April 24, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Troy hereby proclaims **the week of April 24 – 29, 2006**, as “**Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic Week**” in honor of the hard-working local volunteers who diligently give of their time and talents, not to mention their treasure, to provide equal educational opportunities to those who cannot read and who learn by listening.

Presented this 24th day of April 2006.