



**TOWN OF CLAYTON  
PROCLAIMING MAY 2015 AS  
PREECLAMPSIA AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, Preeclampsia, including HELLP syndrome and eclampsia, is a dangerous condition of pregnancy that can, in its severest form, lead to maternal and/or infant mortality or premature birth with significant health risks for the mother and baby; and

WHEREAS, as many as 320,000 cases of preeclampsia are diagnosed in America every year with approximately 25% resulting in severe, life-threatening consequences to a pregnant woman and her baby; and

WHEREAS, 24,000 births are affected by preeclampsia each year in the state of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, public education as to the signs and symptoms of preeclampsia, HELLP syndrome and eclampsia can help women recognize the condition and seek appropriate medical care. Prenatal education should include recognition of those signs and symptoms (spikes in maternal blood pressure, sudden swelling of face and hands, severe upper abdominal pain, blurred vision, persistent headaches, breathlessness); and

WHEREAS, many citizens of Clayton have joined with the Preeclampsia Foundation to raise public awareness in order to minimize maternal and infant illness and death due to preeclampsia; and

WHEREAS, a Promise Walk will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at the East Clayton Community Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Honorable Mayor and Clayton Town Council wish to recognize May 2015 as

**PREECLAMPSIA AWARENESS MONTH**

Duly proclaimed by the Clayton Town Council this 4th day of May 2015, while in regular session.



Michael Grannis  
Mayor Pro Tem