



Office of the Mayor

# Proclamation

**Whereas:**

**WHEREAS,** Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS) is a disorder in which people develop a variety of symptoms as a result of a single massive exposure or repeated low level exposures to toxic chemicals and other irritants in the environment; and

**WHEREAS,** the symptoms of MCS are not limited to chronic fatigue, muscle and joint pains, rashes, asthma, short-term memory loss, headaches, and other respiratory and neurological problems; and

**WHEREAS,** MCS is a chronic condition that usually involves the central nervous system and other organ systems; and

**WHEREAS,** there is no known cure for MCS; and

**WHEREAS,** MCS can cause major personal financial, employment, housing, and social consequences for people who have this disability, and

**WHEREAS,** MCS is recognized by ADA, Social Security Administration, U.S. HUD and other state and national government agencies and commissions which have supported the health and welfare of the chemically injured; and

**WHEREAS,** reasonable accommodations can enable people with MCS to enjoy access to work, public facilities, and other settings where they can continue to contribute their skills, ideas, creativity, abilities and knowledge; and

**WHEREAS,** people with MCS need the support and understanding of family, friends, co-workers and society as they struggle with their illness and adapt to new lifestyles; and

**WHEREAS,** MCS is a preventable disorder.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Samuel J. Alai, Mayor of the City of Broadview Heights, do hereby declare the month of May, 2013 as:

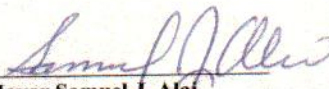
**MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY  
AWARENESS AND EDUCATION MONTH**

...in the city of Broadview Heights and hope all residents have an increased awareness and understanding of this disorder which will hopefully aid in the prevention of MCS.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF:**

I have set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Broadview Heights, Ohio this first day of May, two thousand thirteen.



  
**Mayor Samuel J. Alai**  
City of Broadview Heights