



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

GASTROPARESIS AWARENESS MONTH

2017

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, gastroparesis is a chronic illness that affects more than five million people in the United States; however, this disorder is not widely recognized or studied in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, gastroparesis is a paralysis of the stomach which causes debilitating pain, nausea, vomiting, and early satiety; and can lead to serious complications such as malnourishment, dehydration, extreme weight loss, and overwhelming fatigue; and

WHEREAS, there is little awareness or understanding of gastroparesis; with no known cure, there are very few effective treatment options or medications available for this disease; and

WHEREAS, Gastroparesis Awareness Month is intended to promote education in the medical community, more research, improved medications, and additional treatment options, toward the goal of providing hope for a better future for those affected by this illness and their families; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina supports increased public awareness of the devastating effects of gastroparesis to improve the lives of those suffering from this condition and contribute to the overall quality of public health;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim August, 2017, as “GASTROPARESIS AWARENESS MONTH” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-eighth day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-first.