



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**OSTEOGENESIS IMPERFECTA AWARENESS WEEK**

**2018**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, osteogenesis imperfecta (OI), also known as brittle bone disease, is a genetic disorder characterized by fragile bones that break easily; a person born with this disorder is affected throughout his or her lifetime; and

**WHEREAS**, there are different types of OI with a range of severity from mild to life threatening; and

**WHEREAS**, because there is no cure for OI, treatment focuses on minimizing fractures, surgical correction, reducing bone fragility, and maximizing mobility and independent function; and

**WHEREAS**, increased funding for education and research is needed to help find more effective treatments; and

**WHEREAS**, the Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation has designated May 5 – 12 as National OI Awareness Week, a time when board members, staff, medical professionals, and volunteers are joining together to focus attention on OI and increase awareness of this disorder;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 5 – 12, 2018, as **“OSTEOGENESIS IMPERFECTA AWARENESS WEEK”** 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-seventh day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.