

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation has designated May 2019 as Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Month to educate the public about this rare genetic disorder; and

WHEREAS, an estimated more than 2 million people worldwide are living with NF, and the disorder occurs in 1 in 3,000-4,000 individuals in the United States; however, NF remains relatively unknown to the public; and


WHEREAS, NF affects people of either gender and in all races and ethnic groups; and

WHEREAS, NF causes tumors to grow in the nervous system throughout the body and can affect development of the brain, cardiovascular system, bones, and skin; and

WHEREAS, NF can lead to blindness, deafness, bone abnormalities, disfigurement, learning disabilities, disabling pain, and cancer; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation and other concerned organizations and individuals promote medical research aimed at finding effective treatments and, ultimately, a cure for NF;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May, 2019, as "**NEUROFIBROMATOSIS 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 thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.