



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

DIFFUSE INTRINSIC PONTINE GLIOMA AWARENESS DAY

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) affects between 200 and 400 children in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, brain tumors are the leading cause of cancer-related deaths in children and young adults under the age of 19; and

WHEREAS, DIPG is the second most common malignant brain tumor found in children and the leading cause of childhood death due to brain tumors; and

WHEREAS, children with DIPG commonly experience double vision, reduced eye movement, facial weakness or asymmetry, and arm and leg weakness; and

WHEREAS, prognosis has not improved for children with DIPG in more than 35 years, but new medical technology and research finally offer hope for treatments for children afflicted with this disease; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages people to help increase public awareness and advocate support for those affected by this deadly childhood cancer in our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2020, as **"DIFFUSE INTRINSIC PONTINE GLIOMA AWARENESS DAY"** 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 seventh day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth.