



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR**

**HYPOPHOSPHATASIA AWARENESS DAY**

**2019**

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

## **A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, hypophosphatasia (HPP) is an inherited disorder that affects the development of bones and teeth; and

**WHEREAS**, this condition disrupts mineralization, which is a critical process for the formation of strong bones and teeth that can withstand chewing and grinding; and

**WHEREAS**, symptoms of HPP vary widely and can appear anywhere from before birth to adulthood; many people with the disorder experience non-trauma fractures, chronic pain, fatigue, and more; and

**WHEREAS**, the most severe forms of the disorder tend to occur before birth and in early infancy causing seizures, pneumonia, and distorted breathing from the soft malformed chests; it is estimated 1 in 100,000 newborns suffer from severe HPP; and

**WHEREAS**, there is currently no cure for HPP; research is ongoing and important advances are being made in understanding the genetic causes for HPP; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina encourages awareness and support for those battling hypophosphatasia and organizations that aid in the effort to find a cure;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER**, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 30, 2019, as “**HYPOPHOSPHATASIA 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 eighteenth day of October 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-fourth.