

# State of North Carolina

## **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

#### LIMB-GIRDLE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY AWARENESS DAY

2022

### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

#### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Limb-girdle Muscular Dystrophy (LGMD) is a rare disease that is known to cause muscle weakness and wasting; and

**WHEREAS,** LGMD most commonly affects proximal muscles, those closest to the torso: the muscles of the shoulders, upper arms, pelvic area, and thighs; and

**WHEREAS,** LGMD is among a group of hereditary, genetic, neuromuscular disorders with over 30 sub-types currently identified; and

WHEREAS, LGMD occurs among all ethnic groups, affecting both males and females; symptoms can begin in childhood, adolescence, or adulthood; and

**WHEREAS,** LGMD is a progressive, serious, and debilitating condition that has a significant impact on the lives of those affected; and

**WHEREAS,** individuals and families affected by LGMD often experience problems such as diagnosis delay, difficulty finding a medical expert, and lack of access to treatments or ancillary services; and

WHEREAS, while research is ongoing and important advances are being made every day in understanding the genetic causes for the disease, there is still no known cure or treatment; and

WHEREAS, many patients and families affected by LGMD bear a large share of the burden of raising public awareness to support the search for treatments; and

**WHEREAS**, a global collaborative of LGMD focused foundations and individuals living with LGMD has organized a global day of awareness on September 30, 2022, and patients, caregivers, medical professionals, researchers, and others in the state of North Carolina will participate in this observance;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 30, 2022, as "**LIMB-GIRDLE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY AWARENESS DAY**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

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Roy Cooper Governor

IN WITKESS 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 September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-seventh.