

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY AWARENESS MONTH

2021

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, muscular dystrophy (MD) does not refer to a single disease or disorder that affects everyone the same way, instead it is an umbrella term covering more than 50 different types of muscular and neuromuscular diseases ranging in severity; and

WHEREAS, all muscular dystrophies result in progressive muscle weakness, from mild muscle weakness to complete paralysis of all voluntary muscles, including those used for breathing and/or swallowing; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that more than 50,000 individuals in the United States have one of the various forms of muscular dystrophy; and

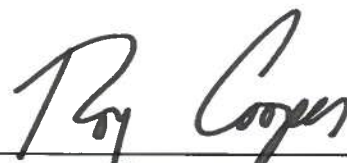
WHEREAS, muscular dystrophy effects people regardless of race, sex, age, or ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, raising public awareness of muscular dystrophy will continue to facilitate the discovery of treatments and cures, as well as bring much needed funding for support and services for those affected by muscular and neuromuscular diseases; and

WHEREAS, Muscular Dystrophy Awareness month is a special opportunity to educate the public about muscular dystrophy and help garner support for important issues in the muscular dystrophy community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim August, 2021, as “**MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY 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 sixteenth day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-sixth