



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS AWARENESS DAY

2023

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation has designated May 17, 2023, as Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Day to educate the public about this rare genetic disorder; and

WHEREAS, although over 2.5 million people around the world are living with NF, and 1 in every 3,000 births is diagnosed with NF, it is still relatively unknown to the public; and

WHEREAS, NF is a term for three genetic disorders: NF1, NF2, and schwannomatosis; 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 State of North Carolina commends the Children's Tumor Foundation, and other concerned organizations and individuals, for promoting 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 17, 2023, as "**NEUROFIBROMATOSIS 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 fifteenth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-seventh.