

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Children's Tumor Foundation is observing May 2022 as Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Month to educate the public about this rare genetic disorder; and

WHEREAS, Although over 2 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 causes tumors to grow on nerves throughout the body and also can affect development of the brain, cardiovascular system, bones and skin, leading to blindness, deafness, bone abnormalities, disfigurement, learning disabilities, disabling pain, and cancer; and

WHEREAS, The Children's Tumor Foundation leads efforts to promote and financially sponsor world-class medical research aimed at finding effective treatments and, ultimately, a cure for NF; and

WHEREAS, The Children's Tumor Foundation works to improve access to quality patient healthcare through its national NF Clinic Network; and provides patient and family support through its information resources, youth programs, and local activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize the 17 day of May, 2022 as:

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS (NF) AWARENESS DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, to be affixed at Missoula, Montana, this 17th day of May, in the year two thousand twenty-two.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Engen".

John Engen
Mayor