



(Proclamation Template)

A PROCLAMATION FOR DYSAUTONOMIA AWARENESS MONTH

Whereas dysautonomia refers to a disorder of the autonomic nervous system (ANS) that involves dysfunction of the sympathetic, parasympathetic, and enteric nervous systems, that control the automatic, unconscious functions of the body; and

Whereas some dysautonomias are considered rare and may be understudied and underrepresented in the general population with symptoms resulting in social isolation, economic hardship, disability, and in some cases, even death; and

Whereas more than 70 million individuals are affected worldwide, resulting in varied symptoms such as high heart rate, blood pressure dysregulation, orthostatic intolerance, temperature dysregulation, fatigue, brain fog, gastrointestinal dysfunction, and more; and

Whereas there is currently no cure for the 15 different kinds of dysautonomia, ongoing research is building a better understanding and offering hope for new treatments and a cure; and

Whereas Dysautonomia Support Network, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that empowers, educates, and advocates for those affected by dysautonomia, encourages communities to celebrate Dysautonomia Awareness Month each October; and

WHEREAS we seek to recognize the contributions of the professional medical community, patients, and family members who are working to educate our citizenry about dysautonomia in _____.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, _____,
_____ of _____, do hereby proclaim the month of
October as
Dysautonomia Awareness Month
Throughout _____