

City of Poulsbo

Office of Mayor Rebecca Erickson



PROCLAMATION

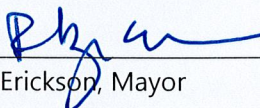
- WHEREAS,** the Children's Tumor Foundation is observing May 17, 2024, as World NF Awareness Day to educate the public about this rare genetic condition; and
- WHEREAS,** the global community recognizes the importance of raising awareness about NF, its impact on individuals and families, and the need for continued research and support; and
- WHEREAS,** although over 4 million people around the world are living with NF and 1 in every 2,000 births is diagnosed with NF, it is still relatively unknown to the public; and
- WHEREAS,** NF affects all populations equally, regardless of race, ethnicity or gender; 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; and
- WHEREAS,** the disorder can lead 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 is connecting the unconnected, leading the way through innovative and inventive approaches to scientific advancement and improved patient care, revamping systems to accelerate the path from discovery to treatment; and
- WHEREAS,** the Children's Tumor Foundation provides patient and family support through its information resources, youth programs, and community activities; and
- WHEREAS,** much remains to be done in raising public awareness of NF to help promote early diagnosis, proper management and treatment, prevention of complications, and support for research;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rebecca Erickson, Mayor of the City of Poulsbo, Washington, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2024, in recognition of this important initiative, as

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS (NF) AWARENESS DAY

in the City of Poulsbo and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing this important initiative.

Dated this 21st day of February 2024.


Rebecca Erickson, Mayor

