

# State of North Carolina

# **PAT McCRORY**

**GOVERNOR** 

## SCOLIOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

2016

### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

#### **A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, scoliosis is a medical condition in which the spine is curved from side to side; and

**WHEREAS**, scoliosis is diagnosed when the curvature of the spine is more than 10 degrees to the right or left; and

**WHEREAS,** scoliosis has no known cause and can strike any gender, age, race or economic status; its primary onset is between ages 10 and 15 and progresses more frequently in females to a level that requires treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, an estimated seven million people in the United States have scoliosis, and approximately one out of every six children diagnosed will require treatment; and

WHEREAS, scoliosis may cause pain, reduce respiratory function and limit mobility; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina joins the National Scoliosis Foundation and other interested agencies and organizations in promoting awareness, research and funding to help combat this condition;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, PAT McCRORY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 2016, as "**SCOLIOSIS AWARENESS MONTH**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

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 seventh day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fortieth.



PAT McCRORY
Governor