



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, brain tumors are masses of unnecessary cells growing in the brain that can be either primary, which start, and tend to stay in the brain; or metastatic, which begin as cancer somewhere else in the body and spread to the brain; and

WHEREAS, brain tumors can be diagnosed as "benign" or "malignant," however, there are many factors involved that can make it difficult to classify them one way or the other; and

WHEREAS, no risk factor accounting for the majority of brain tumors has been identified, although many environmental and genetic factors have been, and are, being studied; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that approximately 86,970 new cases of primary malignant and non-malignant brain and central nervous system (CNS) tumors will be diagnosed in the United States in 2019,

WHEREAS, it was estimated that about 700,000 people in the U.S. were living with a primary brain and CNS tumors in 2019, and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that approximately 17,760 Americans will die with brain and CNS tumors in 2019, and in New Jersey 470 women and men died from malignant brain and other nervous system tumors; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the courageous battle fought by those who are currently undergoing treatment for brain tumors as well as the dedicated medical professionals who are working hard to save the lives of their patients;

WHEREAS, The Kortney Rose Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to raising funds to support research and education related to the treatment and cure of pediatric brain tumors, works to improve the outlook for children with brain tumors has worked to promote brain tumor awareness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

MAY 4, 2020

AS

BRAIN TUMOR AWARENESS MONTH

in New Jersey.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this sixteenth day of March in the year two thousand twenty, the two hundred forty-fourth year of the Independence of the United States.


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