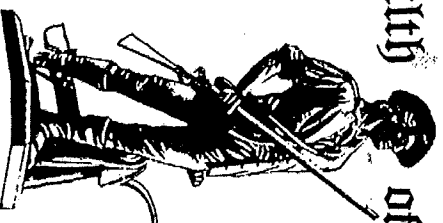


Commonwealth of Massachusetts



A Proclamation

His Excellency Governor Deval L. Patrick

- Whereas** Neurofibromatosis is a genetic tumor disorder that affects nearly 100,000 Americans and one in every 3,000 births; and
- Whereas** Neurofibromatosis affects all races, ethnic groups, and both genders equally; and
- Whereas** Symptoms of Neurofibromatosis includes learning disabilities, disfigurements, brain tumors, blindness, deafness, epilepsy and scoliosis; and
- Whereas** There is no cure or effective treatment for Neurofibromatosis; and
- Whereas** Through public awareness, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts seeks to minimize the devastating effects of Neurofibromatosis among all Massachusetts citizens,

Do hereby proclaim May 2011, to be

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS
AWARENESS MONTH

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this fourth day of February, in the year two thousand and eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-fourth.

By His Excellency

DEVAL L. PATRICK
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

