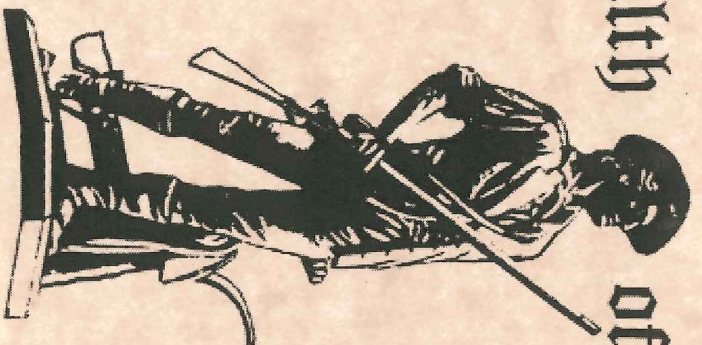


Commonwealth of Massachusetts



A Proclamation

His Excellency Governor Deval L. Patrick

- Whereas** According to the Carcinoid Cancer Foundation, Inc. more than 11,000 people are diagnosed with carcinoid/NET cancer each year; and
- Whereas** Neuroendocrine tumors (NETs) often develop into cancer and, if left untreated, can result in serious illness and death; and
- Whereas** At least 110,000 people are living with carcinoid/NETs in the United States today; and
- Whereas** Over 90% of all carcinoid/NETs are incorrectly diagnosed or received delayed diagnosis; and
- Whereas** Through timely diagnosis and proper treatment, NET cancer patients can enjoy a better quality of life; and
- Whereas** Through public awareness the Commonwealth of Massachusetts seeks to provide an opportunity for all people to learn more about the causes and warning signs of this disease, in order for it to be detected early and treated effectively,

Now, Therefore, I, Deval L. Patrick, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim November 2014, to be,

NET CANCER 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 twenty-second day of October, in the year two thousand and fourteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-eighth.

By His Excellency

DEVAL L. PATRICK
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

