



County Commissioners of Charles County

PROCLAMATION 2023-46

Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Awareness Day

WHEREAS, Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) affects between 200 and 400 children in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, DIPG is an aggressive tumor that interferes with all bodily functions, depriving a child of the ability to move to communicate and even eat and drink; and

WHEREAS, DIPG is the second most common malignant brain tumor found in children and the leading cause of childhood death due to brain tumors; and

WHEREAS, Prognosis has not improved for children with DIPG in more than 35 years, but new medical technology and research finally offer hope for treatment for children battling this disease; and

WHEREAS, Charles County is pleased to help increase public awareness of this deadly childhood cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2023 as **Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Awareness Day** in Charles County, Maryland, and encourage residents to participate and support this environmentally friendly, healthy and fun event.

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