



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2024-49

### 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 committed 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, 2024 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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