

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a chronic, often disabling disease of the central nervous system that affects approximately 400,000 people in the United States; and

WHEREAS, it typically strikes young adults between ages 20 and 40 while in the prime of life. Women are more likely to have multiple sclerosis by about 3:1. Symptoms can begin as simply tingling and progress to near paralysis; and

WHEREAS, March of 2023 is Multiple Sclerosis Education and Awareness Month. It is important for better education and awareness of multiple sclerosis so that its victims can lead more productive and satisfying lives to benefit themselves, their caregivers and families and the overall community; and

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis is a disease that not only affects the person with the condition, but also greatly impacts their family, friends and the community; and

WHEREAS, the exact cause of multiple sclerosis is still unknown, and there is no known cure; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of multiple sclerosis may be mild such as numbness in the limbs, or severe, such as paralysis or loss of vision; and

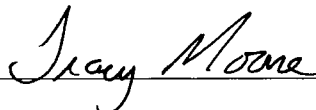
WHEREAS, every hour of every day, someone is newly diagnosed with multiple sclerosis; and

WHEREAS, the Multiple Sclerosis Alliance of Virginia (MSAV) provides programs and services for anyone in Virginia whose life has been affected by MS; and

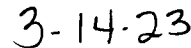
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Carroll County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim the month of March 2023 as:

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS EDUCATION AND AWARENESS MONTH

In the County of Carroll, in the Commonwealth of Virginia and encourage all citizens to recognize the importance of raising awareness of Multiple Sclerosis.



BOS Chairman



Date