



PROCLAMATION

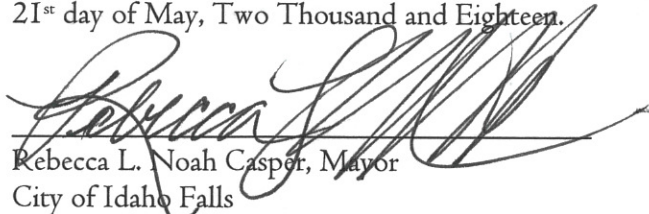
- WHEREAS, The Children's Tumor Foundation is observing 17 May, 2018 as World Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Day to educate the public about this rare genetic disorder; and
- WHEREAS, although over 2 million people around the world are living with NF and 1 in every 3,000 births is diagnosed with NF, it still is relatively unknown to the public; and
- WHEREAS, NF affects all populations equally, regardless of race, ethnicity or gender; and
- WHEREAS, NF causes tumors to grow on nerves throughout the body and also can affect development of the brain, cardiovascular system, bones and skin and can lead to blindness, deafness, bone abnormalities, disfigurement, learning disabilities, disabling pain, and cancer; and
- WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation leads efforts to promote and financially sponsor world-class medical research aimed at finding effective treatments and, ultimately, a cure for NF; and
- WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation is actively fostering collaborative partnerships in both science and industry to speed the drug research and development process through a number of consortia called the Synodos; and
- WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation works to improve access to quality patient healthcare through its national NF Clinic Network; and
- WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation provides patient and family support through its information resources, youth programs, and local chapter activities; and
- WHEREAS, in 2018 the Children's Tumor Foundation proudly celebrates 40 years of driving research, expanding knowledge, and advancing care for the NF community; and
- WHEREAS, more remains to be done in raising public awareness of NF to help promote early diagnosis, proper management and treatment, prevention of complications, and support for research.

THEREFORE, I, REBECCA CASPER, MAYOR of the City of Idaho Falls, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2018 as

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS (NF) AWARENESS MONTH



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Idaho Falls to be affixed on this 21st day of May, Two Thousand and Eighteen.


Rebecca L. Noah Casper, Mayor
City of Idaho Falls