

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, dystonia is a neurological disorder that causes powerful, involuntary, disabling muscle spasms to twist part or all of the body; and

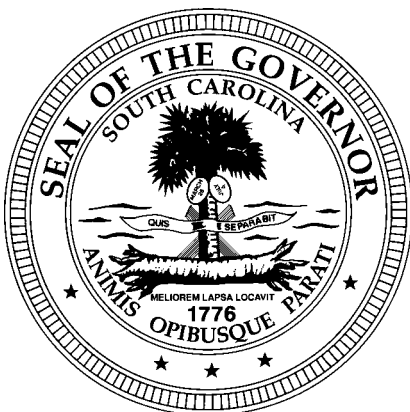
WHEREAS, though no cure for dystonia currently exists, treatments are designed to alleviate the symptoms of spasms, pain, and disturbed posture and functions; and

WHEREAS, raising public and professional awareness of this often misdiagnosed disorder helps to ensure continued progress toward determining its cause and cure.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 13 - 20, 2002, as

DYSTONIA AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about dystonia and to aid and support those affected by this debilitating disorder throughout the Palmetto State.



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