

**RESOLUTION NO. 369 -2016, DECLARING THE MONTH OF
MAY AS “NEUROFIBROMATOSIS AWARENESS MONTH” IN
SUFFOLK COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Neurofibromatosis (“NF”) is a genetic disorder of the nervous system which causes tumors to form on the nerves; and

WHEREAS, these tumors can develop anywhere in the nervous system, including the brain, spinal cord and nerves; NF is usually diagnosed in childhood or early adulthood; and

WHEREAS, NF affects all races and ethnic groups equally; and

WHEREAS, NF affects more than 100,000 Americans which makes NF more prevalent than Cystic Fibrosis, hereditary Muscular Dystrophy, Huntington’s Disease and Tay Sachs combined; and

WHEREAS, NF has three genetically distinct forms: NF-1, NF-2 and Schwannomatosis, which are caused by different genes and chromosomes; and

WHEREAS, the effects of NF are unpredictable and have varying manifestations and degrees of severity; there is no known cure for any form of NF, although the genes for both NF-1 and NF-2 have been identified; and

WHEREAS, approximately 50% of those affected with NF have a prior family history of the condition; and

WHEREAS, the County of Suffolk wishes to designate the month of May as “**Neurofibromatosis Awareness Month**” in Suffolk County to raise awareness of this genetic disorder of the nervous system; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that beginning in 2016 and continuing every year thereafter the month of May shall be designated as “**Neurofibromatosis Awareness Month**” in Suffolk County to raise awareness of this disorder of the nervous system; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: May 10, 2016

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: May 18, 2016