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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZING
THE MONTH OF MAY 2005 AS NATIONAL NEUROFIBROMATOSIS (NF)
AWARENESS MONTH.**

WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation, a nonprofit medical foundation, is observing May as National Neurofibromatosis (NF) Awareness Month to inform the public about this common genetic disorder, more prevalent than Cystic Fibrosis, Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, and Huntington's Disease combined; and

WHEREAS, over 100,000 Americans have NF or von Recklinghausen's disease, and one of every 4,000 children will develop pigmented skin lesions (café au lait spots) in infancy or early childhood, followed by the development of subcutaneous neurofibromas that may progress to more serious disabilities such as scoliosis, leg bowing or twisting, hearing loss, sight and balance problems, and learning disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation promotes and supports research aimed at finding the causes of the disorder and developing treatments and a cure, provides information to people with NF, informs the public about the disorder, and is a resource for medical and health professionals; and

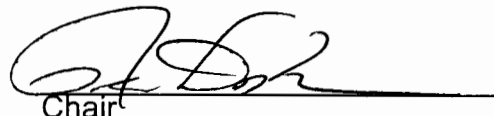
WHEREAS, researchers have identified the genes that cause NF, this genetic disease is relatively unknown to the public; and much remains to be done to raise awareness and funding to develop methods of prevention, treatment and a cure; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Tumor Foundation (www.ctf.org 800-323-7938) leads the efforts in this regard.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:

That this body recognizes May 2005 as *National Neurofibromatosis Awareness Month* and encourages all Anchorage citizens to support this initiative on behalf of the Children's Tumor Foundation to raise awareness for this cause.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 19th day of April, 2005.


Chair

ATTEST:


Municipal Clerk

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