

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the fear of losing one's mind and the fear of losing control of one's body are among the most profound human fears; and

WHEREAS, both losses occur in Huntington's disease, an inherited and fatal brain disorder that strikes in the prime of one's life; and

WHEREAS, every child of a parent with Huntington's disease faces a 50 percent chance of inheriting this genetic disorder, and there is currently no effective treatment and no known cure; and

WHEREAS, the Huntington's Disease Society of America (HSDA) has initiated and supported research into the cause and nature of this fatal disease, and the work of the Society has brought new hope to the people with Huntington's disease and families who bear the burden of this affliction; and

WHEREAS, research continues to offer the promise of early diagnosis, treatment techniques, and ultimately a cure for Huntington's disease; and

WHEREAS, the month of May will be observed as Huntington's Disease Awareness Month in communities across the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim May 2021 as

Huntington's Disease Awareness Month

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.



Signed this 30th day of April, 2021

Handwritten signature of Jay Inslee in blue ink.

Governor Jay Inslee