



# Proclamation

## HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, hydrocephalus affects approximately one million Americans in every stage of life, from infants to the elderly; and

WHEREAS, one out of every one thousand babies are born with hydrocephalus, making it as common as Down's Syndrome and more common than spina bifida or brain tumors and is the most common reason for brain surgery in children; and

WHEREAS, hydrocephalus is a condition with no cure; is primarily characterized by excessive cerebrospinal fluid on the brain that results in abnormal widening of the spaces in the ventricles, which creates harmful pressure and can be fatal if left untreated; and

WHEREAS, the only treatment for hydrocephalus requires brain surgery and many individuals require more than one surgery to remain well; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monroe is joining the state of Washington and over twenty-four states and cities in declaring September as Hydrocephalus Awareness Month.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Geoffrey Thomas and the Monroe City Council, do hereby recognize September 2019 as

## HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH

and encourage Monroe's residents and businesses to join in the special observance.

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Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor

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Kevin Hanford, Councilmember and  
Mayor Pro Tem

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Patsy Cudaback, Councilmember

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Ed Davis, Councilmember

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Jason Gamble, Councilmember

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Jim Kamp, Councilmember

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Jeff Rasmussen, Councilmember

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Kirk Scarboro, Councilmember