



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Chronic Recurrent Multifocal Osteomyelitis (CRMO) is a rare, non-infectious auto-inflammatory disease in which the immune system wrongly attacks healthy bone tissue causing inflammation leading to varying degrees of disability, pain, and mobility issues; and

WHEREAS, the cause of CRMO is unknown and currently there are no FDA-approved treatments nor a standard course of treatment among medical providers; and

WHEREAS, the number of bone lesions and severity and duration of symptoms associated with CRMO varies greatly among individuals; and

WHEREAS, individuals suffering with CRMO must endure frequent MRIs, lab tests, physical therapy, anti-inflammatory drugs, and many off-label drugs that can have devastating side effects; and

WHEREAS, the CRMO community is dedicated to increasing awareness and understanding about this disease in order to promote research, improved patient outcomes; and

WHEREAS, CRMO Awareness Month is an opportunity to raise public consciousness of this illness so that the hope for a cure can become a reality;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim October 2020 as

Chronic Recurrent Multifocal Osteomyelitis (CRMO) Awareness Month

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this tenth day of September, 2020.

Bill Lee

Governor

Joe Hargott

Secretary of State