



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a chronic and disabling disease of the central nervous system in which the progression, severity and specific symptoms cannot be foreseen;

WHEREAS, every hour of every day someone new is diagnosed with MS, a disease that can halt a person's abilities and hopes, halt their career, and affect their family;

WHEREAS, the Greater Carolina Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society reports that there are more than 13,500 people who are affected by this disabling disease all within our Chapter which covers 82 counties in North Carolina and all of South Carolina. Most of those who are diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis are between the ages of 20 and 50;

WHEREAS, the Greater Carolina Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society since founded in 1946 has committed to providing more research of Multiple Sclerosis, offers more services for people with Multiple Sclerosis, provides more professional education programs, and furthers more advocacy efforts than any other Multiple Sclerosis organization in the world;

WHEREAS, although research advances have brought us closer to finding a cure to Multiple Sclerosis, much remains to be done, and services must continue to be provided to those who are affected by this disabling disease;

WHEREAS, finding a cure and developing a method of prevention for Multiple Sclerosis is an important task that all Americans and North Carolinians should support.

NOW THEREFORE I, Allen M. Thomas, Mayor of the City of Greenville, NC, do hereby proclaim the week of March 12 – March 18, 2012, to be

Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week

This 28th day of February, 2012

Allen M. Thomas, Mayor