



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; and

WHEREAS, every hour of every day someone new is diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis, a disease that can erode a person's abilities and hopes, halt a career and unravel the fabric of families; and

WHEREAS, last year in North Carolina more than \$8 5 million were raised to find the cure for MS and develop effective treatments for the disease, as well as provide a wide range of client programs to improve the lives of the 10,000 individuals living with MS in our state; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, \$6.3 million has been granted to North Carolina's universities over the last fifteen years, to find a cure for MS, and

WHEREAS, this investment is paying off in significant advances in treating MS, such as new medications which may reduce or delay future disability for people with MS, and

WHEREAS, research advances have brought us closer to finding the cure, much remains to be done, and services must continue to be provided to those who live with the disease, and

WHEREAS, there are public and private agencies available to serve the constantly changing need of those with Multiple Sclerosis and their families living in our community by extending essential services to all who need them;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert D Parrott, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of March 13 - 17, 2006 as

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS WEEK

in the City of Greenville

This 6th day of March, 2006


Robert D Parrott, Mayor