

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Rett syndrome is a genetic neurodevelopmental disorder that occurs almost exclusively in females; and

WHEREAS, following a period of normal development, girls with Rett syndrome begin to regress at 6 to 18 months of age to the point of requiring assistance with the basic activities of daily life; and

WHEREAS, many primary care practitioners have limited knowledge of Rett syndrome, leading to delays in diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, while there is currently no cure for Rett syndrome, recent research suggests that a cure may be discovered.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 2017 as

RETT SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to help raise awareness of this disorder and recognize the individuals and families it affects.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Henry McMaster".

HENRY MCMASTER
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA