



Proclamation

WHEREAS, 4p- syndrome, also known as Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome, is an extremely rare chromosomal disorder caused by a missing piece of the short arm of chromosome 4; and

WHEREAS, children with 4p- syndrome are usually born with low birth weight and develop slowly, both cognitively and physically, compared to their same-age peers, and experience medical complications; and

WHEREAS, major symptoms of 4p- syndrome include extremely wide-set eyes with a broad or beaked nose, a small head, low-set malformed ears, heart defects, intellectual disabilities, and seizures; and

WHEREAS, dedicated professionals are presently involved in valuable research to explore new therapies and diagnostic tools to offer hope to those with 4p- syndrome; and

WHEREAS, the prevalence of Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome is estimated to be 1 in 50,000 births, with approximately 1,000 individuals in the United States currently identified with the condition through genetic testing, although others may be undiagnosed; and

WHEREAS, public support can increase research that seeks to understand 4p- syndrome, advocate for effective diagnostic screenings, support the development of improved therapies for early intervention and other critical treatments, and offer hope to families affected by 4p- syndrome; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i recognizes the valuable role which families and advocates of those who have 4p- syndrome play in helping our medical community advance the awareness of this syndrome;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 16, 2019 as

“4p- /WOLF-HIRSCHHORN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY”

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in national efforts to raise awareness of 4p- syndrome, and to support those with 4p- syndrome and their caregivers.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-eighth day of March 2019.

JOSHUA B. GREEN
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i