

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2015, Legislative Day No. 10

Resolution No. 20-15

Introduced by Mr. Peroutka, Mr. Smith, Mr. Pruski, and Mr. Fink

By the County Council, May 4, 2015

1 RESOLUTION recognizing June 9, 2015 as “Teal Tuesday – Tourette Syndrome
2 Awareness Day”, and encouraging County residents to raise awareness of Tourette’s
3 Syndrome and show support to children and families who live with Tourette’s Syndrome.
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5 WHEREAS, Tourette’s Syndrome (TS) is an inherited neurological disorder
6 characterized by repetitive, stereotyped, involuntary movements and
7 vocalizations called tics, with an average onset age of 3 to 9 years old; and
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9 WHEREAS, approximately 200,000 people in the United States have been
10 diagnosed with complex TS, with as many as 1 in 100 living in the greater
11 Baltimore/Annapolis area exhibiting symptoms of simple TS; and
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13 WHEREAS, although there is no known cure for TS, early diagnosis and
14 treatment are vital to diminishing the disorder’s physical and psychological
15 effects; and
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17 WHEREAS, increased public awareness and support by wearing the color teal
18 for Tourette’s Awareness can help eliminate the social stigma attached to TS, as
19 well as offer insight to the estimated thousands of Americans who remain
20 untreated or undiagnosed; and
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22 WHEREAS, Caroline Christian, age 15, of Severna Park, Miss Anne Arundel
23 County Outstanding Teen 2015, and a National Tourette Syndrome Youth
24 Ambassador, diagnosed with TS since second grade, has encouraged all citizens
25 to participate in Teal Tuesday as part of her campaign to raise TS awareness
26 through her platform of “Keep Calm, Tic On! A Tourette Awareness Project”;
now, therefore, be it

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29 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, That the*
30 *County Council for Anne Arundel County recognizes June 9, 2015 as “Teal Tuesday –*
31 *Tourette Syndrome Awareness Day” and urges all County residents to raise awareness of*
32 *Tourette’s Syndrome and show support to children and families who live with Tourette’s*
33 *Syndrome.*

READ AND PASSED this 18th day of May, 2015

By Order:



Elizabeth E. Jones
Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 20-15 IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.



Jerry Walker
Chairman