



TOWN OF KILL DEVIL HILLS
Land Where Flight Began

**PROCLAMATION
MARCH 2018
MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system, affecting 2.3 million people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society- Greater Carolinas Chapter reports that in our state more than 18,000 people are living with MS, and that the disease generally strikes people in the prime of life, between ages 20 through 50, and the cause and course of the often debilitating symptoms of MS remain unknown and no cure currently exists; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been committed for more than 70 years to a world of free MS, heightening public knowledge about and insight into the disease; and

WHEREAS, since 1946 the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatments and a cure, and has invested more than \$900 million in groundbreaking research; and

WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel the effort of nearly 380 research projects globally totaling over \$50 million annually at the best medical centers, universities and other institutions throughout the U.S. and abroad, leading to many breakthroughs in the treatment of MS; and

WHEREAS, stopping MS in its tracks, restoring what has been lost, and ending MS forever is the mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and one that all Americans and North Carolinians should support; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Kill Devil Hills of North Carolina recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its appreciation for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society- Greater Carolinas Chapter has shown toward creating a world free of MS;

NOW THEREFORE, the Kill Devil Hills Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims March 2018 as MS Awareness Month, commends this observance to all of our citizens and encourages all North Carolinians to learn more about multiple sclerosis and what they can do to support individuals with MS and their families.

This the 12th day of February, 2018.

By: _____
Sheila F. Davies, Ph.D.
Mayor

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ATTEST:
James Michael O'Dell
Deputy Town Clerk