**May 5, 2024 – 5P- Awareness Day**

Whereas, the 5p- Society of North America, along with support organizations from over 30 countries around the world are proud to announce that the month of May will be designated as International 5P- Syndrome Awareness month.

*Whereas, May 5 has been designated internationally as 5p- Syndrome Day.*

Whereas, Individuals with 5p- Syndrome deserve to be recognized for what they can do versus what they cannot do, and our hope is that we can raise awareness, of 5P- Syndrome, by spreading our message to each and every person we meet.

 Whereas, each year in the United States alone, approximately 50 to 60 children are born with ***5p- Syndrome*** (five p minus), also known as ***Cat Cry*** Syndrome or ***Cri du Chat*** Syndrome. Some common characteristics of 5P- Syndrome at birth are a high-pitched cry, low birth weight, poor muscle tone, microcephaly, and potential medical complications. "5p-" is a term used by geneticists to describe a portion of chromosome number five that is missing in these individuals.

Whereas, one of the goals of 5P- Syndrome Awareness Week is to end the outdated misinformation given to families when their child is diagnosed with 5p- Syndrome.

 Whereas, children born with this rare genetic defect will most likely require ongoing support from a team of parents, therapists, and medical and educational professionals to help the child achieve his or her maximum potential.

 Whereas, there are many families with family members with 5P- Syndrome living in (FILL IN YOUR STATE) with the syndrome that are members of the 5p- Society and over 1,000 families in the Country.

 Resolved, I Governor XX declare May 5, 2025, as 5P- Syndrome Awareness Day in NAME OF STATE.