

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Chronic Recurrent Multifocal Osteomyelitis (CRMO) is an autoinflammatory disease affecting the bones of the body, causing pain, lesions, and inflammation which can eventually lead to fracturing or breaking of the bones and other physical problems; and

WHEREAS, the path to a diagnosis is often a long one with many other possibilities that need to be ruled out, delaying access to appropriate medical care for those who are affected, and the limited treatments that are available are painful and expensive; and

WHEREAS, the severity of the symptoms of CRMO and the limited public awareness of the disease can cause patients to be isolated and lead to depression. CRMO is often called an invisible illness as many of the children affected appear fine upon first glance, but deeper down, are dealing with high levels of pain, frustration, and sadness; and

WHEREAS, the goal of CRMO Awareness Month is to raise public awareness and understanding of the disorder, which has numerous manifestations, affecting children of all ages, races, genders and backgrounds.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jordan Hess, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, hereby recognize October 2023 as:

CHRONIC RECURRENT MULTIFOCAL OSTEOMYELITIS AWARENESS MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, to be affixed at Missoula, Montana, this 2nd day of October, in the year two thousand twenty-three.



Jordan Hess
Mayor