Droclamation



SARCOIDOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

APRIL 2023

WHEREAS, sarcoidosis is a complex inflammatory disease that causes the formation of inflamed cell clusters which, over time, can grow into masses that alter or compromise organ function; and



WHEREAS, sarcoidosis most often affects the lungs but can also affect the brain, eyes, liver, nervous system and other bodily organs; and

WHEREAS, sarcoidosis can be difficult to diagnose, has limited treatment options, and there is no known cure; and

WHEREAS, African American women experience higher hospitalization and mortality rates and are disproportionately affected by sarcoidosis compared to other demographic groups; and



WHEREAS, Sarcoidosis Awareness Month is designed to raise public awareness, support persons affected by the disease, and generate resources to combat and accelerate research to find better treatments:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim April 2023 as "SARCOIDOSIS AWARENESS MONTH" in Washington, DC.