

Proclamation

DYSTONIA AWARENESS MONTH September 2015

WHEREAS, Dystonia is a neurological disorder in which powerful, involuntary muscle spasms twist parts or all of the body. Such spasms are always disabling and often very painful. The cause of Dystonia is unknown and there is no cure; and

WHEREAS, those who suffer from Dystonia, their families and their friends have formed the Dystonia Medical Research Foundation to help one another and to see the cause(s) and a cure; and

WHEREAS, the public knows little about Dystonia, which may affect as many as 300,000 people in North America, is the third most common movement disorder following Parkinson's and Tremor, and is six times more common than Muscular Dystrophy and Lou Gehrig's; and

WHEREAS, many citizens react to the physical manifestations of Dystonia by avoiding those who have this disorder, causing people with Dystonia to experience isolation and often deep, psychological distress; and

WHEREAS, greater recognition and understanding of Dystonia, both in the medical and the lay communities, is highly desirable; and

WHEREAS, widespread public support of efforts to find the cause(s) of and a cure for Dystonia are needed.

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harvey C. Skoog, Mayor of Prescott Valley, proclaim September 2015 as
"Dystonia Awareness Month"*

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Prescott Valley to be affixed this 10th Day of September, 2015.

Attest:

Diane Russell
Diane Russell, Town Clerk

Mayor:

Harvey C. Skoog
Harvey C. Skoog, Mayor



Town of Prescott Valley