

PROCLAMATION P2013-04

To Declare September “Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month” in DeKalb County, Illinois

WHEREAS, a brain aneurysm is a weak bulging spot on the wall of a brain artery, and

WHEREAS, according to the Brain Aneurysm Foundation, studies show 1 in 50 people have a brain aneurysm, approximately six million people have an unruptured brain aneurysm, and

WHEREAS, brain aneurysms form from continuous wear and tear on the arterial walls over an extended period of time and according to the Brain Aneurysm Foundation, this constant stress can sometimes, but not always, lead to hemorrhage causing severe damage or death, and

WHEREAS, doctors and researchers believe smoking, hypertension, traumatic head injury, use of drugs, congenital inborn abnormality, and family history can contribute to the formation of brain aneurysms, and

WHEREAS, through public awareness, the DeKalb County Board seeks to minimize the devastating effects of brain aneurysms among all DeKalb County residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the DeKalb County Board that the month of September be declared BRAIN ANEURYSM AWARENESS MONTH, and that this proclamation be forever memorialized in the archives of the DeKalb County Government as maintained by the DeKalb County Clerk.

ATTEST:

Jeffery L. Metzger, Chairman

DeKalb County Clerk