

COUNTY OF HORRY )  
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )

RESOLUTION R-120-18

**A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2018 AS ALPHA-1 AWARENESS MONTH.**

**WHEREAS**, Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency (Alpha-1) is one of the most common and serious hereditary disorders in the world and can result in life threatening lung disease in adults and liver disease in both children and adults; and

**WHEREAS**, Alpha-1 has been identified in nearly all populations and ethnic groups, it is estimated that about 1 in every 2,500 Americans have Alpha-1 and up to 6 percent of Caucasians in the U.S. carry a single deficient gene and may pass the gene on to their children; and

**WHEREAS**, Alpha-1 is widely under diagnosed and misdiagnosed, and fewer than ten percent of those predicted to have Alpha-1 have been diagnosed, and it often takes an average of five doctors and seven years from the time symptoms appear before proper diagnosis is made, which can be done using a simple blood test; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to increase awareness and detection of this serious hereditary and misdiagnosed disorder; and

**WHEREAS**, during the month of November, a nationwide awareness campaign will take place throughout the country to educate the public as well as the medical community on Alpha-1 detection and treatment for those affected by this condition.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Horry County Council hereby proclaims the month of November 2018 Alpha-1 Awareness Month in Horry County.

**AND IT IS SO RESOLVED** this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.

**HORRY COUNTY COUNCIL**




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Patricia S. Hartley, Clerk to Council