

PROCLAMATION

APRIL 16, 2025, IS WORLD VOICE DAY

WHEREAS, the human voice is a precious instrument expressing feelings, personality, and identity, and

WHEREAS, an estimated 28 million Americans have some voice condition that impairs their ability to communicate easily, and

WHEREAS, a diagnosis of a voice disorder can be life-altering, affecting your relationships, employment, social activities, and even self-esteem.

WHEREAS there is a need for greater recognition and understanding of the impact of voice disorders both in the general public and within the medical community, and

WHEREAS, on April 16, we commemorate World Voice Day, a day dedicated to recognizing the significance of the voice in our lives and understanding the challenges faced by those living with voice disorders, and

WHEREAS, Dysphonia International tirelessly advocates for individuals affected by voice conditions like spasmodic dysphonia, vocal tremor, vocal cord paresis/paralysis, and muscle tension dysphonia, striving to educate and raise awareness, provide support, and fund research to find answers for the cause of and cure for these conditions, and

WHEREAS, through education, awareness, and support, Dysphonia International empowers individuals living with voice disorders, fosters understanding within communities, and advances the quest for improved treatments and therapies through research.

NOW THEREFORE, I (name of the local official) of (State or Location) do hereby declare April 16, 2024, to be World Voice Day.

We honor the invaluable work of Dysphonia International in raising awareness about voice conditions, and we stand in support with all those affected by these vocal challenges.

Signed this (Date) of (Month), in the year two thousand twenty-five.

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