

**RESOLUTION NO. 702-2021, DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER AS
“BRAIN ANEURYSM AWARENESS MONTH” IN SUFFOLK
COUNTY**

WHEREAS, an aneurysm is a bulging, weakened spot in the wall of a blood vessel in the brain that is at risk of rupturing; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 1 in every 50 individuals in the United States has a brain aneurysm, with aneurysms most likely to occur in individuals between 35 and 60 years of age; and

WHEREAS, each year, more than 30,000 individuals nationwide suffer from a ruptured brain aneurysm, half of whom die as a result; and

WHEREAS, brain aneurysms are more likely to occur in women than in men, by a 3 to 2 ratio, and young and middle-aged African Americans have a higher risk of brain aneurysm rupture than other ethnicities; and

WHEREAS, a number of risk factors can contribute to the formation of a brain aneurysm, including smoking, hypertension, and a family history of brain aneurysms; and

WHEREAS, symptoms of a ruptured aneurysm include sudden, severe headache; loss of consciousness; nausea; sudden trouble walking, thinking, and/or seeing; sudden weakness and numbness; and seizures; and

WHEREAS, Suffolk County wishes to designate the month of September as “Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month” to make all residents of Suffolk County aware of the signs, symptoms and risk factors for brain aneurysms; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that beginning in 2021 and continuing every year thereafter September shall be designated as “Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month” in Suffolk County to raise awareness of the importance of understanding, preventing and treating brain aneurysms, and that early detection of ruptured or unruptured aneurysms can save lives; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(26) and (33) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW insofar as these actions constitute routine or continuing administration and management not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: September 9, 2021

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: September 21, 2021