WHEREAS, Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy (LGMD) is considered a rare disease that causes muscle weakness and wasting, most commonly affecting muscles of the shoulders, upper arms, pelvic area, and thighs; and

WHEREAS, LGMD is a group of hereditary, genetic, neuromuscular disorders with over 25 sub-types currently identified and occurs among all ethnic groups affecting both males and females; and

WHEREAS, LGMD is a progressive, serious and debilitating condition that has a significant impact on the lives of those affected with individuals and families often experiencing problems such as diagnosis delay, difficulty finding a medical expert, and lack of access to treatments or ancillary services; and

WHEREAS, research is ongoing and important advances are being made in understanding the genetic causes for the disease and there is still no known cure or treatment;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, David M. Unruh, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim September 30, 2017 as

LIMB GIRDLE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY AWARENESS DAY

In Sedgwick County and encourage its citizens to learn more about this disease.

September 6, 2017