

2017 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 201

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SENATE. Recognizes the Scoliosis Research Society and designates June 2017 as National Scoliosis Awareness Month at the state capitol.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Scoliosis Research Society, recognize the unwavering commitment to
3 excellence in service, and designate June 2017 as National Scoliosis Awareness
4 Month at the state capitol.

5 WHEREAS, Scoliosis, an abnormal curvature of the spine with no known cause
6 (idiopathic), is a condition affecting two to three percent of the population, or an estimated
7 seven million people in the United States and is a condition which strikes without regard to
8 gender, race, age, or economic status; and

9 WHEREAS, an estimated one million scoliosis patients utilize healthcare annually,
10 with approximately one of every six children being diagnosed with this condition eventually
11 being required to receive active medical treatment; and

12 WHEREAS, the primary age of onset for scoliosis is between ten and fifteen with
13 females being five times more likely to progress to a curve magnitude that requires
14 treatment; and

15 WHEREAS, screening programs allow for early detection, and for treatment
16 opportunities which may alleviate the worst effects of the condition; and

17 WHEREAS, there is a need to increase the public's awareness of scoliosis and help
18 children, parents, adults, and healthcare providers understand, recognize, and treat the

