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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 228

BY REPRESENTATIVE STOKES

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Designates May 16, 2018, as National Multiple Sclerosis Society Louisiana State Action Day at the state capitol

A RESOLUTION

2	To designate Wednesday, May 16, 2018, as National Multiple Sclerosis Society Louisiana
3	State Action Day at the state capitol.
4	WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous
5	system that affects more than 2.3 million people worldwide; and
6	WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society reports that most people are
7	diagnosed with the disease during the prime-of-life years, ages twenty through fifty; and
8	WHEREAS, MS causes unpredictable effects, of which the progression, severity, and
9	specific symptoms cannot be foreseen, and the cause and cure for this often debilitating
0	disease remains unknown; and
1	WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is committed to a world free of
12	MS by heightening public knowledge and insight into the disease; and
13	WHEREAS, since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving
4	force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatment, and a cure; and
15	WHEREAS, to date, more than \$868 million has been invested in groundbreaking
16	research; and
17	WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, globally
18	totaling \$50.2 million annually, fuel the efforts of nearly three hundred eighty research
19	projects at the best medical centers, universities, and other institutions throughout the United
20	States and abroad; and

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1	WHEREAS, discovering the cause, finding a cure, and preventing future generations
2	from being diagnosed with MS is an important task which all Americans and Louisianians
3	should support; and
4	WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana recognizes the importance of finding the cause
5	and cure of MS and expresses its appreciation and admiration for the dedication that the
6	National Multiple Sclerosis Society has shown towards a future free of MS.
7	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
8	Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate Wednesday, May 16, 2018, as National
9	Multiple Sclerosis Society Louisiana State Action Day at the state capitol and does hereby
10	encourage all Louisianians to learn more about multiple sclerosis and what can be done to
11	support individuals with multiple sclerosis and their families.
12	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted

## **DIGEST**

to the president of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

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