

2021 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 123

BY SENATOR BARROW

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Recognizes April as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month in Louisiana and designates April 13, 2021, as Sarcoidosis Awareness Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

A RESOLUTION

To recognize April as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month in Louisiana and to designate April 13, 2021, as Sarcoidosis Awareness Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

WHEREAS, sarcoidosis is an inflammatory disease that can affect almost any organ in the body and causes heightened immunity, which means that a person's immune system, which normally protects the body from infection and disease, overreacts, resulting in damage to the body's own tissues; and

WHEREAS, the classic feature of sarcoidosis is the formation of granulomas, microscopic clumps of inflammatory cells that group together; and

WHEREAS, sarcoidosis can affect people of any age, race, and gender but it is most prevalent among adults between the ages of twenty and forty, in African Americans, and people of European, particularly, Scandinavian descent; and

WHEREAS, the mission of The Sarcoidosis Awareness Foundation of Louisiana is to educate, raise awareness, and raise funds to promote research to find the cause, cure, and new medications to aid those suffering from sarcoidosis; and

WHEREAS, the foundation provides support to families, friends, and caregivers through awareness, education, emotional support, and understanding; and

WHEREAS, the foundation also provides mutual sharing of experiences, discussion

1 of feelings, and sharing of coping strategies and encouragement, and supports research to
2 find the cure and prevention that will improve the quality of life for those affected by
3 sarcoidosis; and

4 WHEREAS, during the entire month of April the citizens of Louisiana are
5 encouraged to learn about the causes and effects of sarcoidosis.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
7 does hereby recognize April as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month in Louisiana and does hereby
8 designate April 13, 2021, as Sarcoidosis Awareness Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
10 Rodney K. Reese, Founder and CEO of The Sarcoidosis Awareness Foundation of
11 Louisiana, Inc.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Beth O'Quin.

DIGEST

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