## Regular Session, 2013

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 45

## BY SENATOR ALARIO

## A RESOLUTION

To recognize April 24, 2013, as National Multiple Sclerosis Society Public Policy Conference Day at the Capitol and encourage efforts to inform Louisianians about Multiple Sclerosis and efforts that help bring us closer to a world free of MS.

WHEREAS, Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a life-long, unpredictable and often disabling disease of the central nervous system; and

WHEREAS, MS affects an estimated 2.5 million people worldwide; three-quarters of the people with MS are women; most people are diagnosed during the prime-of-life years, ages 20-50; and

WHEREAS, a community of Louisianians with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society are committed to doing something about MS now; they support programs and services to enhance the lives of people affected by MS, raise funds and awareness through Bike MS and Walk MS events, and invest in research toward a cure for the disease; and

WHEREAS, today is the 2013 National Multiple Sclerosis Society Public Policy Conference in Louisiana, a gathering of MS Activists committed to creating positive change through advocacy for Louisianians affected by MS and other chronic conditions; and

WHEREAS, though much still remains to be done, the work of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and the other organizations working on behalf of those with MS are helping to create a dynamic movement with the ultimate goal of achieving a world free of MS.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize April 24, 2013, as National Multiple Sclerosis Society Public Policy Conference Day at the Capitol and encourage efforts to inform Louisianians about MS and efforts that help bring us closer to a world free of MS. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in Louisiana.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE