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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 201

BY SENATOR MIZELL

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

1 complexities of spinal deformities such as Scoliosis.

2 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the members of the Scoliosis Research Society for their outstanding 3 achievements; does hereby recognize and record for posterity their unwavering commitment 4 5 to excellence in service to the citizens of the state; does hereby extend enduring appreciation 6 for the pride and honor they bring to Louisiana; and does hereby designate June 2017 as 7 National Scoliosis Awareness Month at the state capitol. 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to 9 Cindy Bishop, Louisiana Orthopaedic Association executive director.

> The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry J. Guillot.

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