

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARROW

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes April as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize the month of April as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month in Louisiana.

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

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

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

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

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

17 WHEREAS, the foundation also provides mutual sharing of experiences, discussion
18 of feelings, and sharing of coping strategies and encouragement, and supports research to
19 find the cure and prevention that will improve the quality of life for those affected by
20 sarcoidosis; and

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

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
4 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize the month of April as Sarcoidosis Awareness
5 Month in Louisiana.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
7 to Rodney K. Reese, Founder and CEO of The Sarcoidosis Awareness Foundation of
8 Louisiana, Inc.

DIGEST

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