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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH: Recognizes March 7-13, 2016, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To recognize March 7-13, 2016, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week at the state capitol.
3	WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous
4	system that affects more than two million people worldwide; and
5	WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Louisiana Chapter is
6	committed to creating a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about the disease,
7	and mobilizing people and resources so that everyone affected by MS can live their best
8	lives; and
9	WHEREAS, since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving
10	force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatment, and a cure, and has
11	invested more than nine hundred twenty million dollars in groundbreaking research; and
12	WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel the
13	efforts of more than three hundred eighty research projects globally, totaling nearly fifty-
14	four million dollars annually at the best medical centers, universities, and other institutions
15	throughout the United States and abroad; and
16	WHEREAS, researchers are working tirelessly to stop MS in its tracks, restore what
17	has been lost, and end this debilitating disease forever; and
18	WHEREAS, discovering the cause, finding a cure, and preventing future generations
19	from being diagnosed with MS are important tasks that Louisianians should support; and

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1	WHEREAS, Louisiana citizens recognize the importance of finding the cause and
2	cure of MS, and appreciate and admire the dedication the National Multiple Sclerosis
3	Society-Louisiana Chapter has shown toward a future free of this chronic and often
4	devastating disease.
5	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
6	recognize March 7-13, 2016, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week at the state capitol; does
7	hereby commend the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Louisiana Chapter for its efforts
8	towards creating a world free of MS; and does hereby encourage all Louisianians to learn
9	more about multiple sclerosis and support individuals with MS and their families.
10	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
11	to the executive director of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Louisiana Chapter.

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