

2016 First Extraordinary Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize March 7-13, 2016, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week at the state capitol.

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system that affects more than two million people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society–Louisiana Chapter is committed to creating a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about the disease, and mobilizing people and resources so that everyone affected by MS can live their best lives; and

WHEREAS, since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatment, and a cure, and has invested more than nine hundred twenty million dollars in groundbreaking research; and

WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel the efforts of more than three hundred eighty research projects globally, totaling nearly fifty-four million dollars annually at the best medical centers, universities, and other institutions throughout the United States and abroad; and

WHEREAS, researchers are working tirelessly to stop MS in its tracks, restore what has been lost, and end this debilitating disease forever; and

WHEREAS, discovering the cause, finding a cure, and preventing future generations from being diagnosed with MS are important tasks that Louisianians should support; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana citizens recognize the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS, and appreciate and admire the dedication the National Multiple Sclerosis Society–Louisiana Chapter has shown toward a future free of this chronic and often devastating disease.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize March 7-13, 2016, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week at the state capitol; does hereby commend the National Multiple Sclerosis Society–Louisiana Chapter for its efforts towards creating a world free of MS; and does hereby encourage all Louisianians to learn more about multiple sclerosis and support individuals with MS and their families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the executive director of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society–Louisiana Chapter.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE