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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease 3 of the central nervous system that affects nearly one million 4 people in the United States alone; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Multiple sclerosis generally strikes people in 6 the prime of life, between ages 20 through 50, and the cause 7 and course of the often debilitating symptoms of MS remain 8 unknown; no cure currently exists; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is 10 committed to a world free of MS and heightening public 11 knowledge about and insight into the disease; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society has
  13 worked to transform what it means to live with MS and has
  14 provided global leadership to help achieve a vision of a world
  15 free of MS; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis
  17 Society has been a driving force of MS research by
  18 relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatments, and a cure,
  19 investing more than \$1 billion in groundbreaking research; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Funds raised through the National Multiple

- 1 Sclerosis Society fuel research on pathways to MS cures and
- 2 are invested in the MS research workforce at the best medical
- 3 centers, universities, and other institutions throughout the
- 4 U.S. and abroad, leading to many breakthroughs in the
- 5 treatment of MS; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis
- 7 Society is to cure MS while empowering people affected by MS to
- 8 live their best lives, a mission that all Americans and
- 9 Illinoisans should support; therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare March 12
- 12 through March 18, 2023 as MS Awareness Week in the State of
- 13 Illinois and recognize the importance of finding the cause and
- 14 cure of MS; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That we encourage all Illinoisans to learn more
- 16 about multiple sclerosis and what they can do to support
- 17 individuals with MS and their families; and be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Greater
- 20 Illinois Chapter in appreciation for their dedication to
- 21 creating a world free of MS.