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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

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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 the month of 12 March 2023 as MS Awareness Month in the State of Illinois and 13 recognize the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS; 14 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.