

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19

Senators Hauck, Bayer, Chang, Geiss, Lauwers, Moss and Polehanki offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize March 12-18, 2023, as Multiple
2 Sclerosis (MS) Week.

3 Whereas, Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of
4 the central nervous system, affecting nearly one million people in
5 the United States alone; and

6 Whereas, MS generally strikes people in the prime of life,
7 between ages 20 through 50, and the cause and course of the often
8 debilitating symptoms remain unknown and no cure currently exists;
9 and

10 Whereas, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is committed
11 to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and

1 insight into the disease; and

2 Whereas, The mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis
3 Society is to cure MS while empowering people affected by MS to
4 live their best lives, one that all Americans and Michiganians
5 should support; and

6 Whereas, Since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society
7 has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing
8 prevention, treatments, and a cure, and has invested more than \$1
9 billion in groundbreaking research; and

10 Whereas, Funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis
11 Society fuels research on pathways to MS cures and invests in the
12 MS research workforce at the best medical centers, universities,
13 and other institutions throughout the U.S. and abroad, leading to
14 many breakthroughs in the treatment of MS; and

15 Whereas, Together we have transformed what it means to live
16 with MS and provided global leadership to help achieve our vision
17 of a world free of MS; and

18 Whereas, The state of Michigan recognizes the importance of
19 finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its appreciation for
20 the dedication that the Michigan Chapter of the National Multiple
21 Sclerosis Society has shown toward creating a world free of MS;
22 now, therefore, be it

23 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
24 body recognize March 12-18, 2023, as Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Week;
25 and be it further

26 Resolved, That we commend this observance for all Michiganians
27 and encourage citizens to learn more about MS and what they can do
28 to support individuals with MS and their families.