

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1763

A RESOLUTION designating January 31, 2018, as MS Action Day.

WHEREAS, Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system affecting 2.3 million people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society – Mid America Chapter reports that more than 5,000 people are living with MS in Kansas, that the disease generally strikes people in the prime of life, between the ages of 20 and 50, that the cause and course of the often-debilitating symptoms of MS remain unknown and that no cure currently exists; and

WHEREAS, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been committed for more than 70 years to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and insight into the disease; and

WHEREAS, Since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatments and a cure, and has invested more than \$900 million in groundbreaking research; and

WHEREAS, Funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel \$42.1 million in funding for 380 research projects at the best medical centers, universities and other institutions throughout the U.S. and abroad, leading to many breakthroughs in the treatment of MS; and

WHEREAS, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society's advocacy work prioritizes access to quality healthcare and prescription medication, keeping them affordable, simple and transparent for everyone who lives with MS; and

WHEREAS, Stopping MS in its tracks, restoring what has been lost, and ending MS forever is the mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, and one that all Americans and Kansans should support; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Senate recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its appreciation for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society – Mid America Chapter has shown toward creating a world free of MS: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we designate January 31, 2018, as MS Action Day, and commend this observance to all of our citizens, and encourage all Kansans to learn more about multiple sclerosis and what they can do to support individuals with MS and their families; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Kerschen.

Senate Resolution No. 1763 was sponsored by Senators Kerschen, Baumgardner, Berger, Billinger, Bollier, Bowers, Francisco, Goddard, Hawk, Hensley, Holland, Kelly, Petersen, Rogers, Schmidt, Skubal, Sykes and Wilborn.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.