

By Senator Bradley

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing September 2013 and each
September thereafter as "Dystonia Awareness Month."

WHEREAS, Dystonia is a neurologic movement disorder
characterized by involuntary muscle contractions that often
cause painful and debilitating body positions for the victim,
and

WHEREAS, Dystonia is a nonterminal disease that attacks an
otherwise healthy individual who is living a normal life and
makes even the simplest of tasks impossible to achieve, and

WHEREAS, Dystonia is nondegenerative, and, with the
investment of the proper resources, a cure is within reach, and

WHEREAS, Dystonia affects an estimated 500,000 people in
North America, with a third of all dystonia patients children,
and

WHEREAS, Tyler's Hope for a Dystonia Cure has long been
recognized as a leading nonprofit organization in Dystonia
research and awareness and has teamed up with Dystonia advocacy
groups to form Team Dystonia, a coalition aimed at furthering
awareness of the disorder across the nation, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That we recognize September 2013 and each September
thereafter as "Dystonia Awareness Month."