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House Resolution

A resolution designating June 15, 2024, as "Dysautonomia Awareness Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, every individual deserves to live and thrive in a healthy and supportive environment, and

7 WHEREAS, dysautonomia is an umbrella term to describe 8 autonomic disorders in which there is a dysfunction or failure 9 of the autonomic nervous system, which is responsible for 10 maintaining the body's equilibrium by regulating involuntary 11 functions, including breathing, blood pressure, heart rate, 12 temperature, and digestion, and

13 WHEREAS, it is estimated that 70 million people worldwide 14 experience some form of autonomic dysfunction, and

WHEREAS, the symptoms experienced by dysautonomia patients are often misdiagnosed, but with knowledge of the signs and symptoms can take only 15 minutes to identify an issue in the autonomic nervous system, and

19 WHEREAS, advocacy in Florida has decreased the average time 20 of diagnosis from 6 years to a few months in Tampa Bay, and

21 WHEREAS, raising awareness of autonomic disorders 22 contributes to concrete actions in fundraising, research, and 23 community support that can make a substantial difference in the 24 lives of dysautonomia patients, and

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25	WHEREAS, healthcare professionals, researchers, and
26	advocates in Florida are dedicated to spreading awareness and
27	advancing treatments for dysautonomia patients, NOW, THEREFORE,
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29	Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
30	Florida:
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32	That June 15, 2024, is hereby designated as "Dysautonomia
33	Awareness Day" in Florida, to raise awareness of the challenges
34	individuals with dysautonomia face and the pursuit of effective
35	treatments for dysautonomia.