

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 343

Introduced by Clements, 2.

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is an unpredictable, often disabling disease of the central nervous system that interrupts the flow of information between the brain and the body and for which there is no known cure; and

WHEREAS, although there has been significant progress in MS research, there are only fifteen disease-modifying treatments for the relapsing-remitting form of the disease and one for the more debilitating, primary progressive form; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that nearly 2.3 million people in the world are currently living with MS; and

WHEREAS, more than 400,000 people in the United States are living with MS, including more than 4,000 people in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the National MS Society exists to help each person address the challenges of living with MS by funding cutting-edge research, facilitating professional education, and providing programs and services that help people with MS and their families move their lives forward; and

WHEREAS, MS Awareness Month is recognized annually in March to unite people in Nebraska, the United States, and worldwide in the fight to end MS, to create connections stronger than the ones MS destroys, and to educate people about MS and what they can do to make a difference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Legislature recognizes March 2018 as MS Awareness Month in Nebraska.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Mid America Chapter.