

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 16**

Introduced by Day, 49.

WHEREAS, psychogenic nonepileptic seizures or PNES are a common disorder characterized by many different symptoms; and

WHEREAS, psychogenic nonepileptic seizures resemble epileptic seizures but the causes are psychological; and

WHEREAS, no known organic or physical cause exists for psychogenic nonepileptic seizures; and

WHEREAS, anxiety, dissociative disorders, post-traumatic stress disorders, family conflict, psychosis, brain injuries, and substance abuse can be possible contributors to a person developing psychogenic nonepileptic seizures; and

WHEREAS, treatment of this disorder is focused on addressing the underlying psychological or psychiatric problem; and

WHEREAS, many different types of mental and behavioral health providers are trained to deliver psychological therapies; and

WHEREAS, many advances have been made over the past decade in identifying and treating psychogenic nonepileptic seizures.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes January 9, 2023, through January 15, 2023, as Psychogenic Nonepileptic Seizures Awareness Week.

2. That the Legislature encourages every individual in Nebraska to become better informed about and aware of psychogenic nonepileptic seizures.