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| 1 | A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging Governor |
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| 2 | Holcomb to proclaim the week of May 1, 2022, as Tardive |
| 3 | Dyskinesia Awareness Week. |
| 4 | Whereas, Many people with serious, chronic mental illness, |
| 5 | such as schizophrenia, or gastrointestinal disorders, including |
| 6 | gastroparesis, require treatment with medications that work as |
| 7 | dopamine receptor blocking agents (DRBAs); |
| 8 | Whereas, While DRBAs have important, even lifesaving, |
| 9 | therapeutic value for many patients, the same drugs can also |
| 10 | lead to tardive dyskinesia; |
| 11 | Whereas, Tardive dyskinesia is a movement disorder that |
| 12 | is characterized by random, involuntary, and uncontrolled |
| 13 | movements of different muscles in the face, trunk, and |
| 14 | extremities; |
| 15 | Whereas, In some people, tardive dyskinesia can develop |
| 16 | months, years, or decades after prolonged use of DRBAs and |
| 17 | can continue even after the person stops taking the drug; |
| 18 | Whereas, It is estimated that over 600,000 Americans suffer |
| 19 | from tardive dyskinesia; |
| 20 | Whereas, Years of difficult and challenging research have |
| 21 | resulted in recent scientific breakthroughs, with two new |
| 22 | treatments for tardive dyskinesia being approved by the United |
| 23 | States Food and Drug Administration; |
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| 1 | Whereas, Because tardive dyskinesia is often unrecognizea |
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| 2 | or improperly diagnosed, regular screening for tardive |
| 3 | dyskinesia in patients taking DRBA medications is |
| 4 | recommended by the American Psychiatric Association; and |
| 5 | Whereas, The General Assembly and Governor Holcomb |
| 6 | can help raise awareness of tardive dyskinesia in the public and |
| 7 | medical community: Therefore, |
| 8 | Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly |
| 9 | of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives |
| 0 | concurring: |
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| 2 | SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges |
| 3 | Governor Holcomb to proclaim the week of May 1, 2022, as |
| 4 | Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week. |
| 5 | SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed |
| 6 | to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Governor Holcomb. |



