

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the month of November as National Epilepsy Awareness Month and honoring the work of the Epilepsy Foundation Indiana for their support of Hoosiers living with epilepsy.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the month of
2 November as National Epilepsy Awareness Month and
3 honoring the work of the Epilepsy Foundation Indiana for their
4 support of Hoosiers living with epilepsy.

5 *Whereas, Epilepsy is a neurological disorder characterized*
6 *by recurrent seizures caused by abnormal electrical activity in*
7 *the brain and affects over 3.4 million people in the United*
8 *States and 68,000 people in Indiana;*

9 *Whereas, Epilepsy is diagnosed in people of all ages and*
10 *backgrounds and can have a profound impact on a person's*
11 *quality of life;*

12 *Whereas, Individuals with epilepsy often face stigma,*
13 *discrimination, and barriers to education, employment, and*
14 *social participation;*

15 *Whereas, Raising awareness about epilepsy and promoting*
16 *education and understanding about this condition can help to*
17 *reduce stigma, increase access to care, and improve outcomes*
18 *for people with epilepsy;*

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1 *Whereas, The Epilepsy Foundation Indiana offers services*
2 *that support Hoosiers and their families impacted by epilepsy;*

3 *Whereas, In support of their mission to END EPILEPSY in*
4 *Indiana, the Epilepsy Foundation Indiana advocates and raises*
5 *funds to advance research in the treatment of seizure disorders*
6 *and the search for a cure;*

7 *Whereas, The Epilepsy Foundation Indiana administers*
8 *local education programs to provide the public with a better*
9 *understanding of epilepsy and give lifesaving instructions in*
10 *seizure first aid;*

11 *Whereas, Recognizing that more than 1 out of 1,000 people*
12 *with epilepsy die from a sudden unexpected death in epilepsy*
13 *(SUDEP), the Epilepsy Foundation's SUDEP program aims to*
14 *prevent these tragic occurrences and support those that lost a*
15 *loved one to epilepsy; and*

16 *Whereas, The month of November has been designated as*
17 *National Epilepsy Awareness Month to increase public*
18 *awareness about epilepsy and the challenges faced by people*
19 *with epilepsy and their families: Therefore,*

20 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
21 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

22 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes November
23 as National Epilepsy Awareness Month and honors the work of
24 Epilepsy Foundation Indiana for their support of Hoosiers
25 living with epilepsy.

26 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
27 to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Epilepsy Foundation
28 Indiana.

