

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 34

BY SENATOR BROOME

A RESOLUTION

To designate March 2012 as "Safer and Healthier Choices Awareness Month".

WHEREAS, there is a growing need to provide Safer and Healthier Choices tools and information throughout the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, there is an effort to foster Healthier Choices Awareness Initiatives to promote more HIV/AIDS, HCV, STDS testing, provide other healthy tools access for its Louisiana citizens, and inform the public about all other types of supportive and educational programs; and

WHEREAS, educational access and health tools plays a critical role in providing for a better tomorrow for our Louisiana citizens; and

WHEREAS, developing such awareness initiatives enable advocates to reach potential clients, and allow clients to obtain access to care when receiving a positive diagnosis to seek treatment without fear of unnecessary stigma, blame, or shame, and continue to be contributing members of society; and

WHEREAS, these initiatives will allow Louisiana citizens the opportunity to become better educated on the numerous assistance programs as well as options available, and provide access to healthier tools for an advanced health education while providing health tools; and

WHEREAS, observing a "Safer and Healthier Choices Awareness Month" will encourage Louisiana institutions, foundations, governmental agencies, and private community organizations to promote and develop effective programs and provide health tools pertinent to the under served communities; and

WHEREAS, numerous awareness programs will strive to reduce the number of new cases of HIV/AIDS for a "Safer and Healthier Choice Month" and advocate for a longer and healthier life.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate March 2012 as "Safer and Healthier Choices Awareness Month".

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE