

2017 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 36

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SENATE. Recognizes April as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month in Louisiana and designates April 19, 2017, as Sarcoidosis Awareness Day at the state capitol.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize the month of April as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month in Louisiana and to  
3 designate April 19, 2017, as Sarcoidosis Awareness Day at the state capitol.

4 WHEREAS, sarcoidosis is an inflammatory disease that can affect almost any organ  
5 in the body and causes heightened immunity, which means that a person's immune system,  
6 which normally protects the body from infection and disease, overreacts, resulting in damage  
7 to the body's own tissues; and

8 WHEREAS, the classic feature of sarcoidosis is the formation of granulomas,  
9 microscopic clumps of inflammatory cells that group together; and

10 WHEREAS, sarcoidosis can affect people of any age, race, and gender but it is most  
11 prevalent among adults between the ages of twenty and forty, in African Americans, and  
12 people of European, particularly, Scandinavian descent; and

13 WHEREAS, the mission of The Sarcoidosis Awareness Foundation of Louisiana is  
14 to educate, raise awareness, and raise funds to promote research to find the cause, cure, and  
15 new medications to aid those suffering from sarcoidosis; and

16 WHEREAS, the foundation provides support to families, friends, and caregivers  
17 through awareness, education, emotional support, and understanding; and

18 WHEREAS, the foundation also provides mutual sharing of experiences, discussion

