

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 853

By Vital

A RESOLUTION commemorating National Epilepsy Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, epilepsy is a neurological disorder characterized by recurrent seizures caused by abnormal electrical activity in the brain and affects over 3.4 million people in the United States, including 470,000 children; and

WHEREAS, one in ten people will have a seizure and one in twenty-six will develop epilepsy during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, epilepsy is diagnosed in people of all ages and backgrounds and can have a profound impact on a person's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, individuals with epilepsy often face stigma, discrimination, and barriers to education, employment, and social participation; and

WHEREAS, effective treatments decrease the likelihood of breakthrough seizures and related complications; and

WHEREAS, November is National Epilepsy Awareness Month, during which time the Epilepsy Foundation raises awareness about epilepsy and promotes education and understanding about this condition to help reduce stigma, increase access to care, and improve outcomes for people with epilepsy; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join with the Epilepsy Foundation in commemorating November as National Epilepsy Month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to

the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.