

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 925

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A RESOLUTION to commemorate February 2024 as "Turner Syndrome Awareness Month" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, Turner syndrome (TS) is a chromosomal abnormality that randomly affects those born female and occurs when the secondary X chromosome is partially or completely missing; and

WHEREAS, although many have mosaic TS, for which the number of X chromosomes can vary, most fetuses (98-99 percent) with TS will die before birth, resulting in about 10 percent of all first-trimester miscarriages; and

WHEREAS, one in 2,000 live female births have TS; those who survive often face lifelong physical, emotional, cognitive, and/or psychological challenges that can be mitigated with early diagnosis and treatment; and

WHEREAS, more than 30 percent of individuals born with TS are not diagnosed until they are fifteen years of age, and only 3.5 percent receive adequate care; however, with increased awareness, the livelihoods of those affected can be greatly improved; and

WHEREAS, today, there are over 85,337 individuals living with this condition in the U.S., many of whom live in the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, by bringing awareness to Turner syndrome, Tennessee and its sister states can play an essential role in reducing and eventually eliminating the negative outcomes of this condition and supporting those who are affected by it; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commemorate the month of February 2024 as "Turner Syndrome Awareness Month" in the State of Tennessee.

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.