

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a chronic and disabling
2 disease of the central nervous system in which the progression,
3 severity, and specific symptoms cannot be foreseen; and

4 WHEREAS, Every hour of every day, someone new is diagnosed
5 with MS, a disease that can erode a person's abilities and hopes,
6 halt a career, and unravel the fabric of families; and

7 WHEREAS, Last year in Texas, more than \$20 million was raised
8 to find the cure for MS and develop effective treatments for the
9 disease, as well as to provide a wide range of programs to improve
10 the lives of the more than 20,000 individuals living with MS in our
11 state; and

12 WHEREAS, This investment is paying off in significant
13 advances in treating MS, including new medications that may reduce
14 or delay future disability for people with MS; and

15 WHEREAS, While research advances have brought us closer to
16 finding the cure, much remains to be done, and services must
17 continue to be provided to those who live with the disease; and

18 WHEREAS, Public and private agencies are available to serve
19 the constantly changing needs of those living with MS in Texas and
20 their families, and it is imperative to extend the essential
21 services provided by these agencies to all in need; now, therefore,
22 be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
24 Legislature hereby recognize February 24, 2009, as Multiple

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1 Sclerosis Day at the State Capitol and March 2 through 9, 2009, as
2 Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week in Texas and encourage every
3 effort to inform Texans about MS and MS services.

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Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Pena
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 162 was adopted by the House on
February 24, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House