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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month is being observed
- 2 in June 2015; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Rare and often misdiagnosed, myasthenia gravis is an
- 4 autoimmune, neuromuscular disease that causes weakness in the
- 5 voluntary muscle groups; MG can affect anyone, no matter their
- 6 race, gender, or age, and although it is controllable by medication
- 7 and other treatments, it can be fatal; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America is a
- 9 nonprofit organization formed in 1952; it has a network of chapters
- 10 throughout the country whose mission is to facilitate the timely
- 11 diagnosis and optimal care of individuals affected by this disease;
- 12 the MGFA also works to improve lives through programs of public
- 13 information, medical research, professional education, advocacy,
- 14 and patient services and care; and
- WHEREAS, Approximately 70,000 Americans are living with MG,
- 16 and Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month offers a time to learn more
- 17 about this disease and to focus on the need for further education,
- 18 treatment, and research in the hope of ultimately finding a cure;
- 19 now, therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby recognize June 2015 as Myasthenia Gravis
- 22 Awareness Month and encourage all Texans to get involved in the
- 23 effort to call attention to this serious issue.