

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 327

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the month of March as Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month in Texas; and

WHEREAS, Multiple system atrophy is a progressive and fatal neurological disease that is known to affect approximately 15,000 patients in the United States; as many as 35,000 more citizens suffer the condition without accurate diagnoses; and

WHEREAS, In the course of a few years, patients with multiple system atrophy lose the ability to walk, talk, chew, swallow, and eventually, the ability to breathe; there are no specific risk factors or known causes for the disease, and there is currently no known cure; and

WHEREAS, A lack of awareness about multiple system atrophy has hindered research and the ability of researchers to attain funding for their work; public support and greater awareness can aid in the discovery of the causes and a possible cure for this devastating neurological disease and could help make a difference in the lives of thousands of Americans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby recognize the month of March as Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month in Texas and encourage citizens across the state to help raise awareness of this neurodegenerative disorder; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as a memento of this important month.

Perry

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 1, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate