SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 16

Senator Hauck offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to recognize March 9-15, 2025, as Multiple 2 Sclerosis (MS) Week. Whereas, Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of 3 4 the central nervous system, affecting nearly one million people in 5 the United States (U.S.) alone; and 6 Whereas, MS generally strikes people in the prime of life, 7 between ages 20 through 50, and the cause and course of the often debilitating symptoms remain unknown and no cure currently exists; 8 9 and 10 Whereas, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is committed to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and 11 12 insight into the disease; and Whereas, The mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis 13

Society is to cure MS while empowering people affected by MS to

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- 1 live their best lives, one that all Americans and Michiganians
- 2 should support; and
- 3 Whereas, Since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society
- 4 has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing
- 5 prevention, treatments, and a cure, and has invested more than \$1
- 6 billion in groundbreaking research; and
- 7 Whereas, Funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis
- 8 Society fuels research on pathways to MS cures and invests in the
- 9 MS research workforce at the best medical centers, universities,
- 10 and other institutions throughout the U.S. and abroad, leading to
- 11 many breakthroughs in the treatment of MS; and
- 12 Whereas, Together we have transformed what it means to live
- 13 with MS and provided global leadership to help achieve our vision
- 14 of a world free of MS; and
- 15 Whereas, Supported by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society
- 16 and led by MS leaders, Michigan has 18 in-person MS support groups
- 17 that create collaborative communities for all Michiganders impacted
- 18 by MS; and
- 19 Whereas, The state of Michigan recognizes the importance of
- 20 finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its appreciation for
- 21 the dedication that the Michigan Chapter of the National Multiple
- 22 Sclerosis Society has shown toward creating a world free of MS;
- 23 now, therefore, be it
- 24 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
- 25 body recognize March 9-15, 2025, as Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Week;
- 26 and be it further
- 27 Resolved, That we commend this observance for all Michiganians
- 28 and encourage citizens to learn more about MS and what they can do
- 29 to support individuals with MS and their families.