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HR 1038

By: Representatives C. Douglas, *Bragg*

HOUSE RESOLUTION

TO RAISE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS AND TO
RECOGNIZE THE NATIONAL MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY.

Subtitle

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WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 2.3 million individuals worldwide are living with multiple sclerosis; and that the disease generally strikes people in the prime of life, between ages 20 through 50, and causes unpredictable effects in which the progression, severity, and specific symptoms cannot be foreseen, and the cause and cure for this often debilitating disease remain unknown; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Arkansas is committed to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and insight into the disease; and

WHEREAS, since 1946 the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatment, and a cure and has invested more than 870 million dollars in groundbreaking research; and



WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel the efforts of nearly 380 research projects globally totaling 50.6 million dollars annually at the best medical centers, universities, and other institutions throughout the United States and abroad, and because of this MS research has never been more hopeful than it is today; and

WHEREAS, discovering the cause, finding a cure, and preventing future generations from being afflicted with MS is an important task that all Americans and Arkansas should support; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arkansas recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS, a chronic and often devastating disease, and expresses its appreciation and admiration for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society South Central Region has shown toward a future free of MS,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives of the Ninetieth General Assembly recognizes the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and the importance of raising awareness of multiple sclerosis in Arkansas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon its adoption, a copy of this resolution be provided by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Eli Rubenstein, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's Chairman of the Board, and Cynthia Zagieboylo, President and CEO of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

/s/C. Douglas