

House Resolution No. 1736

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State organizations which are devoted to ridding humanity of a terrible health scourge by diligently engaging in fund raising activities to support research, education, and assistance for those in need; and

Whereas, MS Walk will take place on Sunday, April 13, 2003, at locations throughout Missouri and across this great nation; and

Whereas, with a focus on supporting the search for a cure and treatments for Multiple Sclerosis, the Gateway Area Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is headquartered at 1867 Lackland Hill Parkway in St. Louis, Missouri, and is sponsoring numerous walks in the fight against the ravages of that chronic and at times debilitating disease; and

Whereas, serving 4,900 people with Multiple Sclerosis in the eastern half of Missouri and the southern third of Illinois, the Gateway Area Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society provides information and referral services, self-help groups, wellness education, and client financial assistance; and

Whereas, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is the largest private financial underwriter of MS research in the world, and has committed more than \$350 million to medical investigation since its founding, nearly \$32 million in grants nationwide this year, and \$2 million to universities in the state of Missouri; and

Whereas, the Gateway Area Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society expects thousands of compassionate people across Missouri to exercise their feet, hearts, and community spirit by participating in the 2003 MS Walk scheduled for their local communities and neighborhoods:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the volunteers and staffers of the Gateway Area Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and to convey to all of those involved in the MS Walk fund-raising activities this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for outstanding success; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to the Gateway Area Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Offered by _____
 Representative Carl Bearden
 District No. 16

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1736, adopted April 10, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker