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## 2023 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 125

February 19, 2024 - Introduced by Senators James, Ballweg, Quinn, Roys and Spreitzer, cosponsored by Representatives Moses, Rozar, Michalski, C. Anderson, Bodden, Drake, Emerson, Jacobson, Magnafici, Mursau, O'Connor, Ratcliff, Schraa, Shankland, Sinicki, Stubbs, Tittl and Andraca. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

**Relating to:** proclaiming the month of March 2024 as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness 1 2 Month throughout the state of Wisconsin. 3 Whereas, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central 4 nervous system, affecting nearly 1 million people in the United States; and 5 Whereas, multiple sclerosis generally strikes people in the prime of life, 6 between ages 20 through 50, and the cause and course of the often debilitating 7 symptoms of MS remain unknown and no cure currently exists; and 8 Whereas, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is committed to a world free 9 of MS, increasing public knowledge about the disease; and 10 Whereas, since 1946 the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatments, and a cure, and 11 12 has invested more than \$1 billion in groundbreaking research; and 13 Whereas, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel

research on pathways to MS cures and invest in the MS research workforce at the

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best medical centers, universities, and other institutions throughout the U.S. and abroad, leading to many breakthroughs in the treatment of MS; and

Whereas, empowering people affected by MS to live their best lives is the mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and one that all Wisconsin residents should support; and

Whereas, Wisconsin recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its appreciation for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society – Wisconsin Chapter has shown toward creating a world free of MS; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature proclaims March 2024 as MS Awareness Month and encourages all Wisconsin citizens to learn more about multiple sclerosis and what they can do to support individuals with MS and their families.

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