

## House Resolution 191

By: Representatives Carter of the 92<sup>nd</sup>, Abrams of the 89<sup>th</sup>, Jones of the 47<sup>th</sup>, Taylor of the 173<sup>rd</sup>, Quick of the 117<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women® movement and  
2 recognizing February 8, 2017, as National Wear Red Day® at the state capitol; and for other  
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, heart disease and stroke kill one in three women in the United States, yet 80  
5 percent of cardiac events may be prevented; and

6 WHEREAS, cardiovascular diseases and stroke kill one woman every 80 seconds in the  
7 United States; and

8 WHEREAS, an estimated 44 million women in the United States are affected by  
9 cardiovascular diseases; and

10 WHEREAS, 90 percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease,  
11 yet only one in five American women believe that heart disease is her greatest health threat;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, women comprise only 24 percent of participants in all heart related studies ; and

14 WHEREAS, women are less likely to call 911 for themselves when experiencing symptoms  
15 of a heart attack than they are if someone else were having a heart attack; and

16 WHEREAS, only 36 percent of African American women and 34 percent of Hispanic  
17 women know that heart disease is their greatest health risk, compared with 65 percent of  
18 Caucasian women; and

19 WHEREAS, women involved with the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women®  
20 movement live healthier lives, and nearly 90 percent have made at least one healthy behavior  
21 change; and

22 WHEREAS, Go Red For Women encourages women to take charge of their health and  
23 schedule a well-woman visit to learn about health status and risk for diseases.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 the members of this body commend the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women®  
26 movement and recognize February 8, 2017, as National Wear Red Day® at the state capitol.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
29 American Heart Association's Go Red For Women Organization®.