

Senate Resolution 506

By: Senators Brass of the 28th, Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Kennedy of the 18th, Williams of the 25th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing January 29, 2024, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day at the state capitol; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system,
4 affecting nearly 1 million people in the United States alone; and

5 WHEREAS, MS generally strikes people in the prime of their life, between the ages of 20
6 to 50; the cause and course of the often debilitating symptoms of MS remain unknown; and
7 no cure currently exists; and

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

10 WHEREAS, together we have transformed what it means to live with MS and provided
11 global leadership to help achieve our vision of a world free of MS; and

12 WHEREAS, since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of
13 MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatments, and a cure, and has invested more
14 than \$1 billion in groundbreaking research; and

15 WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel research on
16 pathways to MS cures and invest in the MS research workforce at the best medical centers,
17 universities, and other institutions throughout the United States and abroad, leading to many
18 breakthroughs in the treatment of MS; and

19 WHEREAS, the mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is to cure MS while
20 empowering people affected by MS to live their best lives, a goal that all Americans and
21 Georgians should support; and

22 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure
23 of MS and expresses its appreciation for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis
24 Society - Georgia Chapter has shown toward creating a world free of MS.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 recognize January 29, 2024, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day at the state capitol and
27 encourage all citizens to learn more about the disease and what actions they can take to
28 support individuals with multiple sclerosis as well as their families.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
31 press.