

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27

Whereas, cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death due to complications associated with diabetes, such as high blood sugar, high blood pressure, and obesity; and

Whereas, cardiovascular disease is a term used to define problems with the heart and blood vessels such as heart attacks, heart failure, and strokes, and is two to four times greater in adults with type 2 (adult onset) diabetes; and

Whereas, type 2 diabetes is the most common type of diabetes, representing an estimated ninety to ninety-five percent of all diagnosed adult diabetes cases in the United States; and

Whereas, diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in the United States with eight million Americans undiagnosed and more than five thousand Americans diagnosed each day; and

Whereas, findings from a recent study reveal fifty-two percent of adults living with type 2 diabetes are unaware they are at an increased risk of dying from cardiovascular disease; and

Whereas, cardiovascular disease causes sixty-eight percent (or more than two out of every three) deaths in people with type 2 diabetes in the United States; and

Whereas, the total health care costs for the treatment of diabetes were reported to be approximately two hundred forty-five billion dollars annually, with direct medical costs accounting for one hundred thirty-six billion dollars of the total costs in 2013, and cardiovascular disease accounting for twenty-eight percent (or approximately thirty-eight billion dollars) of costs for treating diabetes patients; and

Whereas, in the state of Missouri, the amount paid by Medicare for type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease totals eight hundred forty-three million two hundred seven thousand five hundred nine dollars for three hundred ninety-six beneficiaries; and

Whereas, awareness and education about the cardiovascular risks associated with diabetes can effectively reduce the overall outcome and financial burden of the illness; and

Whereas, the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services and other relevant partners seek to promote awareness, education, and action related to the link between cardiovascular disease and type 2 diabetes:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the members of the Missouri Senate, One Hundredth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby designate the month of November 2019 as Cardiovascular Disease and Type 2 Diabetes Awareness Month in Missouri

and encourage others to promote education and awareness of the connection between cardiovascular disease and type 2 diabetes; and

Be It Further Resolved that the Secretary of the Senate be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution to Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services.

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