

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

Relating to SCN2A awareness day.

Whereas, mutations of the SCN2A gene are the leading single cause of neurodevelopmental disorders such as autism, childhood seizures, and intellectual disabilities; and

Whereas, SCN2A disorders are also associated with a spectrum of syndromes ranging from severe, life-threatening conditions to developmental delays, including sleep disturbances, gastrointestinal dysfunction, movement disorders, pain, and dysautonomia; and

Whereas, research predicts that approximately one in nine thousand people will be diagnosed with SCN2A-related disorders; and

Whereas, while SCN2A-related disorders can be easily identified by DNA testing, SCN2A-related disorders frequently go undetected due to a lack of awareness, even within the medical community; and

Whereas, the field of study of SCN2A-related disorders is growing, but additional studies are needed to develop therapies and treatments:

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the members of the Missouri Senate, One Hundred Second General Assembly, First Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby designate February 24 of each year as "SCN2A Awareness Day" in Missouri; and

Be It Further Resolved that the General Assembly encourages all residents of this state to participate in activities and wear purple, blue, or green on this day to bring awareness of these conditions and the need for treatment; and

Be It Further Resolved that this resolution be sent to the Governor for his approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.