

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 61

BY SENATOR JACKSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize May 12, 2008, as "Fibromyalgia Awareness Day" in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, an estimated ten million people in the United States representing three to six percent of the population and millions more worldwide have been diagnosed with fibromyalgia, a disease for which there is no known cure; and

WHEREAS, fibromyalgia is a chronic illness which causes fatigue and debilitating pain in women, men and children of all ages and races; and

WHEREAS, it often takes an average of five years to receive a diagnosis of fibromyalgia, and medical professionals frequently are inadequately educated on the diagnosis and treatment; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana joins with the National Fibromyalgia Association and other fibromyalgia support organizations in promoting awareness and encouraging improved education, diagnosis, research and treatment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize May 12, 2008, as "Fibromyalgia Awareness Day" in Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the National Fibromyalgia Association.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES