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DELAWARE STATE SENATE  
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 147

RECOGNIZING APRIL 2024 AS "LIMB LOSS AND LIMB DIFFERENCE AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, there are more than 5.6 million individuals living with limb loss and limb difference in the United  
2 States; and

3 WHEREAS, more than 2.2 million individuals live with a form of limb loss, and more than 3.4 million were born  
4 with a form of limb difference; and

5 WHEREAS, each year, over 500,000 individuals in the United States experienced limb loss or are born with limb  
6 difference; and

7 WHEREAS, diabetes, peripheral vascular disease, and trauma are cited as the leading causes of amputation with  
8 approximately 90% of cases being contributed to them; and

9 WHEREAS, studies have shown that behaviors such as diabetes management, properly treating wounds, and  
10 observing safety practices can be effective in preventing amputations; and

11 WHEREAS, access to appropriate prosthetic care for people living with limb loss or limb difference is vital to  
12 enable individuals to reach their full potential, remain physically active, live independently, and live well; and

13 WHEREAS, the Amputee Coalition provides education, support and advocacy through the National Limb Loss  
14 Resource Center for the benefit of persons who have limb loss and limb difference, their families, and health care providers  
15 throughout the United States; and

16 WHEREAS, April is an appropriate month to designate as Limb Loss and Limb Difference Awareness as spring is  
17 a time of renewal and inspiration.

18 NOW, THEREFORE:

19 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the House of  
20 Representatives concurring therein, that the members of the General Assembly hereby recognize the month of April 2024  
21 as "Limb Loss and Limb Difference Awareness Month" in the State of Delaware.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Delawareans are encouraged to join in recognizing the importance of this  
23 month by celebrating people living with limb loss and limb difference, learning about issues affecting people with limb loss

24 and limb difference, expressing gratitude to family and caregivers who are a source of support and motivation, and saluting  
25 our veterans who have lost their limbs in service to this country or in retirement.

SYNOPSIS

This Senate Concurrent Resolution recognizes April 2024 as “Limb Loss and Limb Difference Awareness Month” in the State of Delaware.

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