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## DELAWARE STATE SENATE 151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15

	PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2021 "DYSAUTONOMIA AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.
1	WHEREAS, dysautonomia is a group of medical conditions that result in a malfunction of the autonomic nervous
2	system, which is responsible for "automatic" bodily functions such as respiration, heart rate, blood pressure, digestion,
3	temperature control, and more; and
4	WHEREAS, dysautonomia impacts over 70 million people around the world and includes conditions such as
5	Diabetic Autonomic Neuropathy, Vasovagal Syncope, Pure Autonomic Failure, and Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia
6	Syndrome; and
7	WHEREAS, dysautonomia impacts individuals of all ages, genders, races, and backgrounds, including many
8	individuals living in Delaware; and
9	WHEREAS, dysautonomia can be disabling, and this disability can result in social isolation, stress on individuals
10	and families impacted by dysautonomia, and financial hardships; and
11	WHEREAS, some forms of dysautonomia can result in death, causing tremendous pain and suffering for those
12	impacted and their loved ones; and
13	WHEREAS, increased awareness about dysautonomia will help individuals get diagnosed and treated earlier, save
14	lives, and foster support for individuals and families coping with dysautonomia in Delaware; and
15	WHEREAS, Dysautonomia International, a non-profit organization that advocates on behalf of individuals living
16	with dysautonomia, encourages communities around the world to recognize October as Dysautonomia Awareness Month;
17	and
18	WHEREAS, the Senate and House of Representatives of the 151st General Assembly of the State of Delaware
19	seek to recognize individuals and families living with dysautonomia and support the contributions of medical professionals
20	and those living with dysautonomia who are working to educate Delawareans about dysautonomia.
21	NOW, THEREFORE:

- 22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the 151st General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the House of
- 23 Representatives concurring therein, that the month of October 2021 is designated as "Dysautonomia Awareness Month" in
- the State of Delaware.
- 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate cause a suitable copy of this Resolution to be
- 26 prepared for and presented to Dysautonomia International.

## **SYNOPSIS**

Dysautonomia is a group of medical conditions that result in a malfunction of the autonomic nervous system, which is responsible for "automatic" bodily functions such as respiration, heart rate, blood pressure, digestion, temperature control, and more. This Resolution proclaims October 2021 "Dysautonomia Awareness Month" in the State of Delaware.

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