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Representative Huffman

A RESOLUTION

Designating Ohio Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease
Awareness Month, November 2017 and 2018.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1
132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to designate November 2
2017 and 2018 as Ohio Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease 3
Awareness Month; and 4

WHEREAS, Diabetes is a chronic condition wherein the body 5
does not properly produce or use the hormone insulin that 6
regulates blood sugar, and it can contribute to such dangerous 7
health conditions as high blood sugar and blood pressure and 8
obesity. More than twenty-nine million Americans are believed to 9
be affected by the disease, including more than one million 10
Ohioans, but many remain undiagnosed and unaware of the serious 11
health risks the condition poses; and 12

WHEREAS, Diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in 13
the State of Ohio, and individuals with type 2 diabetes, the most 14
common type, are two to four times at greater risk for developing 15
cardiovascular disease. Indeed, individuals suffering from the 16
condition are at a greater risk of heart attack, heart failure, 17
and strokes; and 18

WHEREAS, In an effort to increase awareness and education, 19
the Ohio Department of Health and relevant partners have taken 20
steps to raise awareness of the threats posed by diabetes and 21
cardiovascular disease. We urge all citizens to educate themselves 22
on these deadly diseases and to take steps to seek preventative 23
treatment when possible; therefore be it 24

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 25
Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 26

this Resolution, designate November 2017 and 2018 as Ohio Diabetes 27
and Cardiovascular Disease Awareness Month; and be it further 28

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 29
transmit duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news 30
media of Ohio. 31