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H. R. No. 296

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 132nd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to designate November 2017 and 2018 as Ohio Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease Awareness Month; and

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

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

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

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

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