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Representative Lipps

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing February 2020 as American Heart Month in Ohio.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 1
133rd General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize American 2
Heart Month in Ohio, February 2020; and 3

WHEREAS, Designated by President Lyndon Johnson in 1963, 4
American Heart Month provides an annual time for individuals and 5
organizations to remember those lost to this disease, to raise 6
awareness of warning signs, and to formulate plans and policies to 7
help meet the challenges of the future. Heart disease is an 8
endemic condition that afflicts countless Americans, and with many 9
Ohioans not having the necessary information and tools needed to 10
live heart-healthy lives, we hope that this observation inspires 11
change; and 12

WHEREAS, Heart Disease is a serious medical issue that is 13
the leading cause of death for men and women, regardless of 14
ethnicity and race, and it results in the death of approximately 15
647,000 people in the United States each year. In addition, 16
multiple factors, including obesity, physical activity, stress, 17
sleep, and genetics can contribute to its development, and 18
identifying early warning signs can be key to survival; and 19

WHEREAS, We can be proud of the medical advancements for 20
treating cardiovascular diseases, as well as greater awareness 21
about its threat, and it is through such efforts as American Heart 22
Month in Ohio and the National Wear Red Day that we can improve 23
those odds even further. Indeed, the many professionals and local 24
advocacy groups that have dedicated themselves to promoting 25
educational initiatives are certainly deserving of high praise; 26
therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 28
Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting 29
this Resolution, recognize American Heart Month in Ohio, February 30
2020 and urge all citizens to become well-informed on the risk 31
factors associated with heart disease; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 33
transmit duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the news 34
media of Ohio. 35