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A R E S O L U T I O N

Recognizing June 19, 2019,

as World Sickle Cell Day.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 133rd General
Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize June 19, 2019, as World
Sickle Cell Day; and

WHEREAS, Affecting more the 100,000 Americans, sickle cell
disease is a life-altering condition in which abnormally shaped
red blood cells lead to anemia and a variety of severe health
problems. While there is no known cure, treatment options exist,
and it is the mission of World Sickle Cell Day to promote
awareness and access to proper care and eliminate stigmas so as to
secure a better life for those suffering from the condition; and

WHEREAS, Proper healthcare is essential to society, and all
too often, our society has shunned and misunderstood the sick
rather than working to help them. However, there has never been a
better time in human history to treat diseases and eradicate
prejudices than now. On the occasion of World Sickle Cell Day, we
pay tribute to all of those combatting the disease as well as all
the medical professionals and caregivers assisting them in their
struggles; and

WHEREAS, Established by the United Nations in 2008 and first
observed in 2009, World Sickle Cell Day represents the efforts of
countless agencies and organizations, and all those who have
freely given their time and energy to support these endeavors are
truly deserving of the highest praise. Because of their
conscientious and dedicated efforts, we are certain a brighter

future awaits those with sickle cell disease; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 133rd General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, recognize June 19, 2019, as World Sickle Cell Day; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the Ohio Sickle Cell and Health Association and the news media of Ohio.