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Representative Thomas, C.

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month
in Ohio.

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 136th
General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize March 2025 as
Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month provides a unique
opportunity to highlight an issue of great importance to our state.
Formerly known as Shy-Drager Syndrome, MSA is a rare and fatal
neurodegenerative disorder with no known cure, and its various
symptoms, which include impairments to balance, difficulty with
movement, poor coordination, bladder dysfunction, sleep disturbance,
and poor blood pressure control, can have a tremendous impact on a
person's quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Incidents of MSA are often misdiagnosed as other
neurodegenerative diseases due to an overlapping of symptoms, and the
obscure nature of this condition has left many patients struggling to
find relief. In an effort to overcome these challenges, Multiple
System Atrophy Awareness Month was designated by the 129th General
Assembly of Ohio in 2013, and in the twelve years since, it has helped
to increase public understanding of this disorder among the residents
of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, It is through the work of caring and conscientious
individuals such as all those associated with the observance of
Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month that our state has gained a
reputation for the diligence and concern of its citizens. Indeed, we
applaud the many people who have played a role in bringing attention
to this progressive neurological disease; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of 26
the 136th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, 27
recognize March 2025 as Multiple System Atrophy Awareness Month; and 28
be it further 29

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