

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 44th Legislature (1994)

HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1086

By: Culver of the House

and

Mickle of the Senate

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution proclaiming American Diabetes Alert Day; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, more than 14 million Americans have diabetes, a disease with no cure that impairs the body's ability to convert food sugar into energy, and at least 7 million of these Americans do not know they have the disease; and

WHEREAS, diabetes is the fourth leading cause of death by disease in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in this year alone, more than 750,000 Americans will contract the disease and 150,000 will die from it, including a disproportionate number of Hispanics, Black Americans, and Native Americans; and

WHEREAS, people whose diabetes goes undiagnosed and untreated are subject to any of its serious complications, such as blindness, heart disease, kidney disease, stroke, and leg or foot amputations; and

WHEREAS, an increase in community awareness of diabetes and its human impact, and an increased awareness of the role of the American Diabetes Association in combatting this terrible disease, may

stimulate public action in increasing research toward a cure, and spur individual awareness about who is susceptible to diabetes before he or she is confronted with one of its complications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 44TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma Legislature hereby proclaims March 22, 1994, to be the American Diabetes Alert Day in Oklahoma, and asks that every citizen participate in efforts that determine individual risk for diabetes, sound the alert about diabetes in our state, and support research to end diabetes and improve the lives of all those who have this disease.

THAT a copy of this resolution be dispatched to the Regional Director of the American Diabetes Association, Oklahoma Affiliate, Incorporated.

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