

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Monday, March 29, 2010

ENGROSSED  
Senate Concurrent  
Resolution No. 34

ENGROSSED SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34 - By: JOHNSON (CONSTANCE), ADELSON, ALDRIDGE, ANDERSON, BALLENGER, BARRINGTON, BASS, BINGMAN, BRANAN, BROGDON, BROWN, BURRAGE, COATES, COFFEE, CORN, CRAIN, CRUTCHFIELD, EASLEY, EASON MCINTYRE, ELLIS, FORD, GARRISON, GUMM, HALLIGAN, IVESTER, JOHNSON (MIKE), JOLLEY, JUSTICE, LAMB, LASTER, LEFTWICH, LERBLANCE, MARLATT, MAZZEI, MYERS, NEWBERRY, NICHOLS, PADDACK, REYNOLDS, RICE, RUSSELL, SCHULZ, SPARKS, STANISLAWSKI, SWEEDEN, SYKES, WILSON AND WYRICK of the Senate and MCDANIEL (RANDY) of the House.

A Concurrent Resolution designating November 14, 2010, as Diabetes Awareness Day in the State of Oklahoma; directing that the Capitol be lit in blue; and directing distribution.

1 WHEREAS, diabetes is a global crisis. It is now estimated that almost one of every  
2 ten Oklahomans suffers from diabetes; and

3 WHEREAS, recent estimates indicate that one out of every three children born  
4 today in the United States will suffer from diabetes during their lifetime; and

5 WHEREAS, diabetes is rapidly becoming more common among adolescents and  
6 reproductive-age women, thereby threatening future generations and the unborn; and

7 WHEREAS, African Americans, Native Americans and Hispanic Americans are  
8 more likely to suffer from diabetes; and

1           WHEREAS, diabetes is a complex disease which is the leading cause of heart  
2 attacks, strokes, amputations, blindness, kidney failure, and fetal mortality; and

3           WHEREAS, the rate of wellness in the State of Oklahoma is lower than any other  
4 state in the country and diabetes is one of the most prevalent diseases that  
5 disproportionately impacts citizens in this state. Last year Oklahomans spent \$1.86  
6 billion in diabetes related care; and

7           WHEREAS, the State of Oklahoma is committed to becoming the nation's model to  
8 conduct cutting-edge research related to diabetes and its complications, in promoting  
9 education in matters related to diabetes and its prevention, and to providing optimal  
10 treatment for individuals with diabetes; and

11           WHEREAS, November 14th is designated worldwide as World Diabetes Day by the  
12 International Diabetes Federation, and in 2008 over 1,000 prominent monuments were  
13 lit in blue in recognition of this day.

14           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND  
15 SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF  
16 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

17           THAT the Oklahoma Legislature designates November 14, 2010, as Diabetes  
18 Awareness Day in the State of Oklahoma; and

19           THAT on that date, the Capitol Dome will be lit in blue in order to raise awareness  
20 about the importance of diabetes prevention and management; and

1            THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the African American Diabetes  
2 Prevention Partner Resource Group and the Oklahoma Chapter of the American  
3 Diabetes Association.  
4 DIRECT TO CALENDAR.