

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

4 HOUSE
5 RESOLUTION 1019

By: Virgin

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Resolution declaring May 2017 as Ehlers-Danlos
9 Syndrome Awareness Month; and directing distribution.

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12 WHEREAS, Ehlers-Danlos syndromes represent multiple genetic
13 disorders involving mutations in connective tissue that are
14 characterized by joint hypermobility, skin hyperextensibility and
15 tissue fragility; and

16 WHEREAS, there are thirteen types of Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes
17 that are characterized by distinctive features, with vascular
18 Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome being the most severe; and

19 WHEREAS, it is estimated that the prevalence of all types of the
20 syndrome affect at least one in 5,000 people worldwide; and

21 WHEREAS, a network of Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes support groups can
22 help connect those managing life with the disease as well as better
23 informing the health care community and the public; and

1 WHEREAS, early and accurate diagnosis can provide the
2 opportunity to create life-saving medical plans and ensure the
3 quality of life; and

4 WHEREAS, there is currently no treatment for the Ehlers-Danlos
5 Syndromes and no known cure; and

6 WHEREAS, further medical research and awareness can bring hope
7 for treatment and a cure.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

10 THAT the Oklahoma House of Representatives hereby declares the
11 month of May 2017 as Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Awareness Month.

12 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Ehlers-
13 Danlos Syndromes Oklahoma support group.

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