



The City of Minneapolis

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

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Recognizing the National MS Society's MS Awareness Week in Minneapolis

Whereas, multiple sclerosis (MS) is an unpredictable, often disabling disease, to which there is no cure, of the central nervous system that interrupts the flow of information between the brain and the body; and

Whereas, although there has been significant progress in MS research, there are only twelve disease modifying treatments for the relapsing-remitting form of the disease and none for the more debilitating, primary progressive form; and

Whereas, it is estimated that nearly 2.3 million people in the world are currently living with MS; and

Whereas, more than 400,000 people in the United States are living with MS, including more than 10,000 people in Minnesota, which ranks among the highest in prevalence rates in the country; and

Whereas, the National MS Society exists to help each person address the challenges of living with MS by funding cutting-edge research, facilitating professional education, and providing programs and services that help people with MS and their families move their lives forward; and

Whereas, MS Awareness Week is held the first week of March to unite people in Minnesota, the United States, and worldwide in the fight to end MS, to create connections stronger than the ones MS destroys, and educate people about MS and what they can do to make a difference; and

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Minneapolis:

That the City Council declares the 5th Day of March, 2015, to be MS Awareness Day in the City of Minneapolis and that the 35W Bridge be lit in orange on this day.

Passed, January 16, 2015

Barbara Johnson, President of the Council

Approved:

Betsy Hodges, Mayor

Attest:

Casey Carl, City Clerk