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Declaration of March 12 - 18, 2023 as Multiple Sclerosis

Awareness Week

**Committee(s) Assignment:** 

## RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 12-18 2023 AS "MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system, affecting nearly 1 million people in the United States alone; and

WHEREAS, multiple sclerosis generally strikes people in the prime of life, between ages 20 through 50, and the cause and course of the often debilitating symptoms of MS remain unknown and no cure currently exists; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is committed to a world free of MS, heightening public knowledge about and insight into the disease;

WHEREAS, together we have transformed what it means to live with MS and provided global leadership to help achieve our vision of a world free of MS; and

WHEREAS, since 1946 the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force of MS research, relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatments and a cure, and has invested more than \$1 billion in groundbreaking research; and

WHEREAS, funds raised through the National Multiple Sclerosis Society fuel research on pathways to MS cures and invest in the MS research workforce at the best medical centers, universities and other institutions throughout the U.S. and abroad, leading to many breakthroughs in the treatment of MS; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is to cure MS while empowering people affected by MS to live their best lives and one that all Americans and Chicagoans should support; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago recognizes the importance of finding the cause and cure of MS and expresses its appreciation for the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society – Greater Illinois Chapter has shown toward creating a world free of MS;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, gathered here in assembly this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, A.D., do hereby proclaim March 12-18, 2023, as MS Awareness Week, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to members of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society – Greater Illinois Chapter.

Nicholas Sposato Alderman, 38<sup>th</sup> Ward

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