By: Senator(s) Doty, Barnett, Burton, Caughman, Dearing, DeBar, Frazier, Jackson (11th), Jackson (32nd), Jolly, McDaniel, Simmons (12th), Stone, Watson To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 613

- 1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE MARCH 2016 AS "AMERICAN 2 RED CROSS MONTH" IN MISSISSIPPI.
- 3 WHEREAS, in Mississippi, we have a long history of helping
- 4 our neighbors in need. American Red Cross Month is a special time
- 5 to recognize and thank our Everyday Heroes those selfless Red
- 6 Cross volunteers and donors who give of their time and resources
- 7 to help community members; and
- 8 WHEREAS, these heroes help families find shelter after a home
- 9 fire. They give blood to help trauma victims and cancer patients.
- 10 They deliver comfort items to military members in the hospital.
- 11 They use their life-saving skills to save someone from a heart
- 12 attack, drowning, or choking. They enable children around the
- 13 globe to be vaccinated from measles and rubella; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the American Red Cross depends on local heroes to
- 15 deliver help and hope during a disaster. We applaud our heroes
- 16 here who give of themselves to assist their neighbors when they
- 17 need a helping hand; and

- 18 WHEREAS, across the country and around the world, the
 19 American Red Cross responds to disasters big and small. In fact,
- 20 every eight minutes the organization responds to a community
- 21 disaster, providing shelter, food, emotional support and other
- 22 necessities to those affected. It collects 40 percent of the
- 23 nation's blood supply; provides 24-hour support to military
- 24 members, veterans and their families; teaches millions life-saving
- 25 skills, such as lifeguarding and CPR; and through its Restoring
- 26 Family Links program, connects family members separated by crisis,
- 27 conflict, or migration; and
- 28 WHEREAS, we dedicate the month of March to all those who
- 29 support the American Red Cross mission to prevent and alleviate
- 30 human suffering in the face of emergencies. Our community depends
- 31 on the American Red Cross, which relies on donations of time,
- 32 money and blood to fulfill its humanitarian mission:
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 34 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
- 35 we do hereby proclaim March 2016 as "American Red Cross Month" in
- 36 the State of Mississippi, commend this organization for its noble
- 37 humanitarian mission and welcome representatives of the
- 38 Mississippi Chapter of the American Red Cross on the occasion of
- 39 "Red Cross Day at the Capitol" on March 3, 2016.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
- 41 the Mississippi Chapter of the American Red Cross and made
- 42 available to the Capitol Press Corps.