MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Barnett, Butler (38th), Frazier, Simmons (13th)

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 516

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2022 AS "KIDNEY 2 DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH" AND MARCH 10, 2022, AS "WORLD KIDNEY DAY" 3 IN MISSISSIPPI. 4 WHEREAS, chronic kidney disease (CKD) is the progressive, gradual loss of kidney function which results in a decrease in the 5 6 ability of the kidneys to remove waste from the body; and WHEREAS, it is estimated that 37 million adults in the United 7 States have CKD, and of those, approximately 90% remain 8 9 undiagnosed; and WHEREAS, without diagnosis and treatment to slow its 10 11 progression, CKD can progress to end-stage renal failure, which is fatal unless the patient receives dialysis or a kidney transplant; 12 13 and 14 WHEREAS, CKD is associated with more severe COVID-19 15 infections, and COVID-19 may cause acute kidney damage that can 16 lead to dialysis or even death; and WHEREAS, regular screening and early detection can prevent 17 18 the progression of kidney disease to kidney failure, and it is

S. C. R. No. 516 **~ OFFICIAL ~** N1/2 22/SS36/R789 PAGE 1 (rdd\tb) 19 essential that awareness of kidney disease and the importance of 20 prevention and early detection be raised; and

21 WHEREAS, kidney disease awareness empowers patients and 22 families to seek diagnosis, support and appropriate treatment:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby designate the month of March 2022 as "Kidney Disease Awareness Month," and recognize March 10, 2022, as "World Kidney Day" in Mississippi.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to supporters of "Kidney Disease Awareness Month" and World Kidney Day," and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.