

By: Senator(s) Frazier, Barnett, Butler  
(38th), Hickman, Jackson, McCaughn, Thomas,  
Thompson

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 561

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MARCH 2023 AS "AMERICAN  
2 RED CROSS MONTH IN MISSISSIPPI" IN SUPPORT OF ITS CRITICAL  
3 HUMANITARIAN MISSION.

4 WHEREAS, during American Red Cross Month in March, we  
5 celebrate the humanitarian spirit of Mississippi and reaffirm our  
6 commitment to help ensure no one faces a crisis alone; and

7 WHEREAS, caring for one another is at the heart of our  
8 community and exemplified by the people of Mississippi, whose  
9 simple acts of kindness through the Red Cross provide help and  
10 hope in people's most difficult moments, continuing the  
11 life-saving legacy of Clara Barton, who founded the organization  
12 more than 140 years ago to prevent and alleviate human suffering;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, every day, these ordinary individuals lend a helping  
15 hand to make an extraordinary difference for neighbors in need,  
16 whether it's providing emergency shelter, food and comfort for  
17 families displaced by home fires and other disasters; donating  
18 life-saving blood for cancer patients, accident victims, and



19 people with sickle cell disease and other life-threatening  
20 conditions; supporting military members and veterans, along with  
21 their families and caregivers, through the unique challenges of  
22 service; using vital skills like first aid and CPR to help others  
23 survive medical emergencies; or delivering international  
24 humanitarian aid and reconnecting loved ones separated by crises  
25 around the world; and

26 WHEREAS, their support, volunteerism and generous donations  
27 are critical to our community's resilience. We hereby recognize  
28 this month of March in honor of all those who fulfill Clara  
29 Barton's noble words, "You must never think of anything except the  
30 need and how to meet it," and ask everyone to join in this  
31 commitment:

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
33 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
34 we do hereby extend the support of the Mississippi Legislature for  
35 the critical humanitarian mission of the American Red Cross and  
36 designate March 2023 as "American Red Cross Month in Mississippi,"  
37 encouraging all citizens of Mississippi to reach out and assist in  
38 this commitment.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
40 the Mississippi Chapter of the American Red Cross, forwarded to  
41 the State Board of Health, and made available to the Capitol Press  
42 Corps.

