

No. R-309. House concurrent resolution designating February 7, 2014 as Wear Red Day.

(H.C.R.225)

Offered by: Representatives Krowinski of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Ancel of Calais, Branagan of Georgia, Clarkson of Woodstock, Condon of Colchester, Donahue of Northfield, Feltus of Lyndon, Frank of Underhill, French of Randolph, Johnson of Canaan, Lenex of Shelburne, Masland of Thetford, McCormack of Burlington, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Pugh of South Burlington, Sharpe of Bristol, Taylor of Barre City, and Webb of Shelburne

Offered by: Senators Lyons, Ashe, Ayer, Baruth, Benning, Bray, Campbell, Collins, Cummings, Doyle, Flory, French, Galbraith, Hartwell, Kitchel, MacDonald, Mazza, McAllister, McCormack, Mullin, Nitka, Pollina, Rodgers, Sears, Snelling, Starr, Westman, White, and Zuckerman

Whereas, heart disease is the number one killer of women, yet it is often preventable, and

Whereas, cardiovascular diseases cause one in three women's deaths each year, killing approximately one woman every minute, and

Whereas, cardiovascular diseases affect annually an estimated 43 million women in the United States, and

Whereas, heart disease kills more women than all forms of cancer combined but is often undiagnosed, and

Whereas, 90 percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease, yet only one in five American women believes that heart disease is her greatest health threat, and

Whereas, women comprise only 24 percent of participants in all heart-related studies, and

Whereas, since 1984, more women than men have died each year from heart disease, and the gap between men and women's survival continues to widen, and

Whereas, the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women[®] movement has been improving the health of women for 10 years, with more than 627,000 women's lives saved, and 330 fewer women dying each day, and

Whereas, in celebration of the 10th anniversary of National Wear Red Day on February 7, 2014, Go Red For Women[®] is asking all women across America to wear red and to ask their doctor to check their blood pressure and cholesterol, to stop smoking, to maintain a healthy diet, to have their children eat healthy and stay active, and to tell other women that heart disease is their number one killer, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates February 7, 2014 as Wear Red Day, in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, and be it further

Resolved: That by increasing awareness, speaking up about heart disease, and empowering women to reduce their risk for cardiovascular disease, thousands of lives can be saved each year, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the American Heart Association-American Stroke Association in Williston.