

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing March 21, 2023, as
World Down Syndrome Day.

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing March 21, 2023,
2 as World Down Syndrome Day.

3 *Whereas, World Down Syndrome Day is a global*
4 *awareness day for those living with Down syndrome;*

5 *Whereas, World Down Syndrome Day has been observed*
6 *on March 21st each year since first being recognized by the*
7 *United Nations in 2012;*

8 *Whereas, March 21st is recognized as World Down*
9 *Syndrome Day to signify the uniqueness of the trisomy of the*
10 *21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome;*

11 *Whereas, It is estimated that about 250,700 children, teens,*
12 *and adults are living with Down syndrome in the United States;*

13 *Whereas, World Down Syndrome Day encourages*
14 *participants from across the world to help raise awareness of*
15 *what Down syndrome is, what it means to have Down*
16 *syndrome, and how people with Down syndrome play a vital*
17 *role in our lives and our communities;*



1 *Whereas, Groups such as The Arc of Indiana and The*
2 *Down Syndrome Family Support and Advocacy Group, also*
3 *known as Michiana Down Syndrome, help to recognize World*
4 *Down Syndrome Day by increasing awareness for people with*
5 *Down syndrome;*

6 *Whereas, These groups advocate for legislation,*
7 *regulations, and policies that make a positive difference in the*
8 *lives of Hoosiers with intellectual and other developmental*
9 *disabilities such as Down syndrome; and*

10 *Whereas, World Down Syndrome Day seeks to create a*
11 *single global voice for those living with Down syndrome with*
12 *groups such as The Arc of Indiana and Michiana Down*
13 *Syndrome leading the way: Therefore,*

14 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
15 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

16 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes March 21,
17 2023, as World Down Syndrome Day.

18 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
19 to transmit copies of this Resolution to The Arc of Indiana and
20 Michiana Down Syndrome.

