



2023 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 20

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1 **Relating to:** designating June 2023 as Myasthenia Gravis Awareness Month.

2 Whereas, myasthenia gravis (MG) is an autoimmune neuromuscular disease
3 that causes chronic weakness, in which antibodies attack receptors in the body and
4 prevent muscle contraction; and

5 Whereas, MG frequently weakens muscles that control eye movement, facial
6 expressions, and swallowing, and its symptoms may include blurred vision, speech
7 impairment, difficulty chewing, shortness of breath, an unstable gait, and a
8 weakened grip; and

9 Whereas, a diagnosis of MG may be missed or delayed because it shares
10 symptoms in common with many other disorders; and

11 Whereas, in some cases, MG symptoms can worsen to the point of disability,
12 grave illness, or death, if there are gaps in or an absence of the several crucial health
13 care treatments that can enable those who endure MG to lead productive, active lives
14 of normal longevity; and

