

HOUSE RESOLUTION 296

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A RESOLUTION to commemorate National Minority Health Month.

WHEREAS, the United States has become increasingly diverse in the last century and is projected to be even more diverse in the coming decades; and

WHEREAS, although health indicators such as life expectancy and infant mortality have improved for most Americans, some minorities experience a disproportionate burden of preventable disease, death, and disability compared with non-minorities; and

WHEREAS, celebrated every year in April, National Minority Health Month is an effort to raise awareness about health disparities that continue to affect racial and ethnic minority populations; and

WHEREAS, annually, National Minority Health Month helps illuminate the need to improve the health and well-being of the nation's minority populations through the development of health policies and culturally and linguistically appropriate programs to eliminate health disparities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with this year's National Minority Health Month theme, "Partnering for Health Equity," it is vital that the citizens of Tennessee work to build partnerships across the State in order to eliminate health disparities; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we join with the citizens of Tennessee as they commemorate National Minority Health Month to raise awareness about health equity in an effort to make the State of Tennessee a stronger and healthier state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.