

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1719

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 2017 as Brain Injury Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, There are 2.5 million Americans who sustain traumatic brain injuries every year; and

WHEREAS, Traumatic brain injuries are a contributing factor in one-third of all injury-related deaths in the United States; and

WHEREAS, These injuries are largely the result of falls, motor vehicle accidents, assaults, sports-related injuries or occupational injuries; and

WHEREAS, More than 5.3 million Americans are living with disabilities related to a traumatic brain injury; and

WHEREAS, Research, treatment and support help reduce the recovery time for people who have suffered a traumatic brain injury; and

WHEREAS, Family members, friends and members of their communities can play a central role in enhancing the lives of citizens living with a traumatic brain injury; and

WHEREAS, The Brain Injury Association of Kansas and Greater Kansas City offers education and support to families and individuals with traumatic brain injuries by assisting in community integration and helping individuals to live as independently as their injuries allow: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we recognize March 2017 as Brain Injury Awareness Month to promote public awareness on the extent, causes, consequences, treatment and prevention of traumatic brain injuries, and to remind people with brain injuries and their families that they are not alone; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Cari Anne Cashon, the Brain Injury Association of Kansas and Greater Kansas City and Senator McGinn.

Senate Resolution No. 1719 was sponsored by Senator Carolyn McGinn.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.