

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 273

Introduced by Arch, 14.

WHEREAS, scoliosis awareness is important to help children, parents, health care providers, and others understand, recognize, and treat the complexities of spinal deformities, such as scoliosis; and

WHEREAS, scoliosis is an abnormal curvature of the spine with no known cause that strikes without regard to gender, race, age, or economic status; and

WHEREAS, scoliosis affects between 2 and 3 percent of the population or an estimated 50,000 Nebraskans; and

WHEREAS, the primary age for onset of scoliosis is between ten and fifteen years, with females being five times more likely to progress to a curve magnitude requiring medical treatment; and

WHEREAS, approximately one in every six children diagnosed with scoliosis will eventually need active medical treatment; and

WHEREAS, screening programs allow for early detection and treatment opportunities that may alleviate the long-term effects of scoliosis; and

WHEREAS, June 2019 is National Scoliosis Awareness Month, an opportunity to raise awareness of scoliosis and improve our understanding of this condition through research and innovation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature recognizes June 2019 as National Scoliosis Awareness Month.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Curvy Girls scoliosis support group of Nebraska.