

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1796**

**A RESOLUTION designating March 13, 2014, as Kidney Awareness Day.**

**WHEREAS, The state of Kansas recognizes that healthy citizens are essential for strong communities to thrive; and**

**WHEREAS, High blood pressure and diabetes are the main causes of chronic kidney disease, which is a major public health problem, with increasing prevalence, poor outcomes, long waits for kidney transplants and high costs; and**

**WHEREAS, One in eight Americans has chronic kidney disease and over 2,722 Kansans receive life-sustaining dialysis treatment; and**

**WHEREAS, Controlling high blood pressure and diabetes can delay or prevent chronic kidney disease; and**

**WHEREAS, As the costs of health care continue to grow, early and accurate identification of kidney disease is a critical component of efforts to reduce the negative clinical and economic impact on individuals and on the state of Kansas: Now, therefore,**

***Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we designate March 13, 2014, as Kidney Awareness Day. We, along with the National Kidney Foundation, the Kidney Coalition and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, encourage Kansans to monitor and treat high blood pressure and diabetes to the best of their abilities; and**

***Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send three enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Faust-Goudeau.**

**Senate Resolution No. 1796 was sponsored by Senators Oletha Faust-Goudeau and Terry Bruce.**

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

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*