Senate Resolution 1294

By: Senators Thomas of the 54th and Mullis of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing April 3, 2008, as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, April 3, 2008, is recognized as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day; and

3 WHEREAS, an estimated 10 million people in the United States, 3 to 6 percent of the 4 population of our country, and millions more world-wide have been diagnosed with 5 fibromyalgia, a disease for which there is no known cause or cure; and

6 WHEREAS, flbromyalgia is a chronic illness which causes fatigue and debilitating pain in
7 women, men, and children of all ages and races; and

8 WHEREAS, it often takes an average of five years to receive a diagnosis of fibromyalgia,

9 and medical professionals frequently are inadequately educated on its diagnosis and

10 treatment; and

11 WHEREAS, we join with the National Fibromyalgia Association and other fibromyalgia

12 support organizations in promoting awareness and encouraging improved education,

13 diagnosis, research, and treatment.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that April 3, 2008, is

15 recognized as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day.