

House Resolution 135

By: Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Jones of the 47th, Sims of the 123rd, Cooper of the 43rd, Kaiser of the 59th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women
2 movement and recognizing Friday, February 1, 2013, as National Wear Red Day; and for
3 other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women movement has been
5 impacting the health of women for ten years, and more than 627,000 women's lives have
6 been saved and 330 fewer women are dying every day; and

7 WHEREAS, heart disease is the number one killer of women, yet only one in five American
8 women believe that heart disease is her greatest health threat; and

9 WHEREAS, cardiovascular diseases cause one in three women's deaths each year, killing
10 approximately one woman every minute; and

11 WHEREAS, an estimated 43 million women in the U.S. are affected by cardiovascular
12 diseases; and

13 WHEREAS, 90 percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart
14 disease; and

15 WHEREAS, women comprise only 24 percent of participants in all heart related studies; and

16 WHEREAS, since 1984, more women than men have died each year from heart disease and
17 the gap between men's and women's survival continues to widen; and

18 WHEREAS, women are less likely to call 911 for themselves when experiencing symptoms
19 of a heart attack than they are if someone else were having a heart attack; and

20 WHEREAS, in celebration of the 10th National Wear Red Day on February 1, 2013, Go Red
21 For Women is asking all women across America to join us in making America Go Red and
22 save women's lives.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body commend the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women
25 movement and recognize Friday, February 1, 2013, as National Wear Red Day.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the American Heart
28 Association.