

Senate Resolution 795

By: Senator Unterman of the 45th

A RESOLUTION

1 Acknowledging the struggle that women with heart disease face every day and recognizing
2 February 7, 2014, as Go Red Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

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

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

7 WHEREAS, an estimated 43 million women in the United States are affected by
8 cardiovascular diseases; and

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

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

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

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

16 WHEREAS, in celebration of the 11th National Wear Red Day on February 7, 2014, Go Red
17 For Women is asking all women across America to join us in making America Go Red and
18 save women's lives.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body,
20 in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke,
21 recognize February 7, 2014, as Go Red Day at the state capitol.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that by increasing awareness, speaking up about heart
23 disease, and empowering women to reduce their risk for cardiovascular disease, we can save
24 thousands of lives each year.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the American Heart Association.