

Senate Resolution 175

By: Senators Hill of the 6th, Millar of the 40th, Jones II of the 22nd, Dugan of the 30th, Williams of the 27th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing March 1, 2017, as Dyslexia Day at the capitol; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, dyslexia is a specific learning disability that is neurological in origin and the
3 most common learning disability, present in approximately 80 percent of all individuals with
4 a learning disability and affecting approximately one in every five individuals; and
- 5 WHEREAS, dyslexia is a difficulty with phoneme segmentation, which is the ability to break
6 words down into individual sounds, and this difficulty is often unexpected in relation to other
7 cognitive abilities; and
- 8 WHEREAS, an individual with dyslexia may have weakness in decoding and reading
9 fluency and is often surrounded by a sea of strengths in reasoning, problem solving, concept
10 formation, critical thinking, and vocabulary; and
- 11 WHEREAS, dyslexia is unexpected because the individual can be highly intelligent but reads
12 at a much lower level; and
- 13 WHEREAS, early diagnosis and early remediation with evidence based interventions are
14 critical for individuals with dyslexia in order to achieve self-awareness, self-empowerment,
15 self-esteem, and necessary accommodations to ensure student, school, and life success; and
- 16 WHEREAS, dyslexia has a significant educational impact that should be recognized and
17 addressed by schools and local and state educational agencies.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that March 1, 2017, is hereby
19 recognized as Dyslexia Day at the capitol.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
22 press.