

House Resolution 1449

By: Representatives Williams of the 145th, Mathiak of the 73rd, Campbell of the 171st, Buckner of the 137th, and Burnough of the 77th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing September 8, 2020, as Lissencephaly Awareness Day at the state capitol; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, lissencephaly is a rare gene-linked brain malformation, causing the brain to
4 have less or no ridges and folds, making it appear smooth. It is estimated about 1 in 100,000
5 individuals are born with this condition; and

6 WHEREAS, people living with this condition may also suffer from hypertonia, epilepsy,
7 swallowing disorders, developmental delays, and more; and

8 WHEREAS, addressing the complex medical needs early in life is imperative to helping
9 families successfully care for their children at home. The need for more education,
10 awareness, and support for families is desperately needed; and

11 WHEREAS, Lissencephaly Foundation Inc. is a nonprofit charitable organization that
12 supports these individuals through continued efforts of empowering families and educating
13 communities.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
15 the members of this body recognize September 8, 2020, as Lissencephaly Awareness Day
16 at the state capitol.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
18 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
19 public and the press.