

2026 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 100

BY SENATOR ALLAIN

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Designates May 2026, as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize May 2026, as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month.

3 WHEREAS, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's
4 disease, is a degenerative, fatal neurodegenerative disease in which a person's brain loses
5 connection with their muscles, slowly stripping them of the ability to walk, talk, eat, and
6 eventually breathe; and

7 WHEREAS, thousands of new ALS cases are reported every year, with estimates
8 showing that every ninety minutes someone is diagnosed with and someone passes away
9 from ALS; and

10 WHEREAS, on average, patients diagnosed with ALS survive only two to five years
11 from the time of diagnosis; and

12 WHEREAS, experts believe that ALS may be caused by a combination of genetics,
13 environmental, and lifestyle factors; and

14 WHEREAS, people who have served in the military are more likely to develop and
15 die from ALS than those with no history of military service; and

16 WHEREAS, securing access to new therapies, durable medical equipment, and
17 communication technologies is of vital importance to people suffering from ALS; and

18 WHEREAS, clinical trials play a pivotal role in the development of new treatments,

1 enhancement in the quality of life for people enduring the effects of ALS, and the fostering
2 of new, efficient assistive technologies for them; and

3 WHEREAS, the ALS Association is the largest philanthropic funder of ALS research
4 globally and has committed over one hundred fifty-four million dollars towards the support
5 of more than five hundred fifty projects across the United States and eighteen other
6 countries; and

7 WHEREAS, the ALS Association provides information, support, and tools to those
8 in need of help and searches for ways to make ALS curable for everyone, everywhere; and

9 WHEREAS, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month provides an
10 opportunity to increase public awareness of the dire circumstances of people living with
11 ALS, to acknowledge the terrible impact this disease has on individuals and their families,
12 and to send a message that conveys our commitment towards research to eradicate this
13 disease.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
15 does hereby recognize May 2026, as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
17 ALS Association.

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