

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

HOUSE
RESOLUTION 1018

By: Hill

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution proclaiming May 2019 to be Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Awareness Month; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the Ehlers-Danlos syndromes represent multiple genetic disorders involving mutations in connective tissue that are characterized by looseness, instability and dislocation of the joints and fragile skin that easily bruises and scars; and

WHEREAS, there are thirteen subtypes of the Ehlers-Danlos syndromes that are characterized by distinctive features, with vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome being the most severe; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the prevalence of all types of the syndrome affect up to 1 in 5,000 people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, a network of Ehlers-Danlos syndromes support groups can help connect those managing life with the disease as well as better inform the health care community and the public; and

1 WHEREAS, early and accurate diagnosis can provide the
2 opportunity to create lifesaving medical plans and ensure quality of
3 life; and

4 WHEREAS, there is currently no treatment for the Ehlers-Danlos
5 syndromes and no known cure; and

6 WHEREAS, further medical research and awareness can bring hope
7 for treatment and a cure.

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9 OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 57TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

10 THAT May 2019 is hereby declared as Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome
11 Awareness Month.

12 THAT a copy of this resolution be presented to Steven Parrish,
13 Christopher Laprairie and Cole Laprairie in remembrance of Terra
14 Parrish.

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