

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 55 [HCR 55]**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-eighth General Assembly, Second Regular Session of the State of Missouri, the Senate concurring therein, that the House of Representatives and the Senate convene in Joint Session in the Hall of the House of Representatives at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 20, 2016, to receive a message from His Excellency, the Honorable Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, Governor of the State of Missouri; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a committee of ten (10) from the House be appointed by the Speaker to act with a committee of ten (10) from the Senate, appointed by the President Pro Tem, to wait upon the Governor of the State of Missouri and inform His Excellency that the House of Representatives and Senate of the Ninety-eighth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, are now organized and ready for business and to receive any message or communication that His Excellency may desire to submit, and that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to inform the Senate of the adoption of this resolution.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 56 [HCR 56]**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-eighth General Assembly, Second Regular Session of the State of Missouri, the Senate concurring therein, that the House of Representatives and the Senate convene in Joint Session in the Hall of the House of Representatives at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 27, 2016, to receive a message from the Honorable Patricia Breckenridge, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Missouri; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a committee of ten (10) from the House be appointed by the Speaker to act with a committee of ten (10) from the Senate, appointed by the President Pro Tem, to wait upon the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Missouri and inform Her Honor that the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Ninety-eighth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, are now organized and ready for business and to receive any message or communication that Her Honor may desire to submit, and that the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives be directed to inform the Senate of the adoption of this resolution.

**HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 58 [HCS HCRs 58]****AN ACT**

Relating to the disapproval of the Missouri State Tax Commission's recommendations regarding the value for each grade of agricultural and horticultural land based on productive capability.

WHEREAS, Section 137.021, RSMo, provides that on or before December thirty-first of each odd-numbered year the State Tax Commission is required to promulgate by regulation a value for each grade of agricultural and horticultural land based on productive capability; and

WHEREAS, the State Tax Commission, in accordance with Section 137.021, RSMo, did on December 29, 2015, propose a value for each of the eight grades of agricultural and horticultural land for the 2017 and 2018 assessment years, with changes to grades 1 through 4; and

WHEREAS, the members of the General Assembly believe that the proposed amendment to 12 CSR 30-4.010 increases the values of various agricultural grades beyond the level which the General Assembly considers to be fair and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, Section 137.021, RSMo, permits the General Assembly to disapprove within the first sixty days of the next Regular Session of the General Assembly the agricultural and horticultural values as proposed by the State Tax Commission:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-eighth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the Senate concurring therein, hereby disapprove the new agricultural land productive values contained in the proposed amendment to 12 CSR 30-4.010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for Governor Jay Nixon and the Missouri State Tax Commission.

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**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 73 [SS HCS HCR 73]**

**AN ACT**

Relating to the designation of certain awareness months

Whereas, cystic fibrosis, commonly referred to as "CF", is a genetic disease affecting approximately 30,000 children and adults in the United States and nearly 70,000 children and adults worldwide, 717 of whom live in Missouri; and

Whereas, a defective gene causes the body to produce an abnormally thick, sticky mucus that clogs the lungs, and these secretions produce life-threatening lung infections and obstruct the pancreas, preventing digestive enzymes from reaching the intestines to help break down and absorb food; and

Whereas, more than 10 million Americans are symptomless carriers of the defective CF gene, and CF occurs in approximately one of every 3,500 live births in the United States; and

Whereas, the median age of survival for a person with CF is 39.3 years; and

Whereas, with advances in the treatment of CF, the number of adults with CF has steadily grown, and approximately 900 new cases of CF are diagnosed each year; and

Whereas, fifty percent of the CF population is 18 years of age and older, and people with CF have a variety of symptoms attributed to the more than 1,800 mutations of the CF gene; and

Whereas, infant blood screening to detect genetic defects is the most reliable and least costly method to identify persons likely to have CF; and

Whereas, early diagnosis of CF permits early treatment and enhances quality of life and longevity and the treatment of CF depends on the stage of the disease and the organs involved; and

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Whereas, clearing mucus from the lungs is an important part of the daily CF treatment regimen, and other types of treatments include inhaled antibiotics and pancreatic enzymes, among others; and

Whereas, there are 8 world-class treatment centers in Missouri which specialize in the diagnosis of CF and the care of persons with CF; and

Whereas, a critical component of treating patients with CF includes access to innovative treatments, which can play a crucial role in the lives of patients with CF; and

Whereas, improving the length and quality of life for people with CF starts with awareness; and

Whereas, the brachial plexus is a network of nerves that conducts signals from the spine to the shoulder, arm, and hand; and

Whereas, injury to these nerves can result in lack of muscle control or feeling in the arm or hand, including Erb's palsy:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the members of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-eighth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the Senate concurring therein, hereby designate the month of May of each year as "Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month" and the month of October of each year as "Brachial Plexus Awareness Month" in Missouri.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to send a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to the Governor for his approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.

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