SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1708

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 3, 2017, as National Wear Red Day.

WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases kill one in three women in the United States, yet 80% of cardiac events may be prevented; and

WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases and strokes kill one woman every 80 seconds in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, An estimated 44 million women in the U.S. are affected by cardiovascular diseases; and

WHEREAS, Ninety percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease; and

WHEREAS, Women are less likely to call 911 for themselves when experiencing symptoms of a heart attack than they are if someone else was having a heart attack; and

WHEREAS, According to a 2012 study by the American Heart Association, 36% of African-American women and 34% of Hispanic women know that heart disease is their greatest health risk, compared with 65% of Caucasian women, which has resulted in a greater emphasis by Go Red For Women on providing education to minority women; and

WHEREAS, The American Heart Association's Go Red For Women movement motivates women to learn their family histories and meet with their healthcare providers to determine their risks for cardiovascular disease and stroke; and

WHEREAS, Women involved with the Go Red For Women movement live healthier lives; and

WHEREAS, Go Red For Women encourages women to take charge of their health by knowing and managing these five numbers: Total cholesterol, HDL (good) cholesterol, blood pressure, blood sugar and body mass index (BMI): Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we recognize February 3, 2017, as National Wear Red Day to raise awareness of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke by wearing the color red and urge all citizens to show their support for women by commemorating this day; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator McGinn.

Senate Resolution No. 1708 was sponsored by Senator Carolyn McGinn.

I hereby certify that the above Resolution originated in the Senate, and was adopted by that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.