

SENATE RESOLUTION 57

(By Senator Takubo)

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1 Designating the month of March as American Red Cross month.

2 Whereas, In March, we celebrate American Red Cross Month by honoring our neighbors
3 who make its humanitarian mission possible in West Virginia. Every day, their acts of kindness
4 change lives, bringing relief, comfort and hope when help can't wait. This compassionate spirit
5 runs deep in our communities, just as it has for 145 years nationwide with the American Red
6 Cross; and

7 Whereas, Today, those who serve with the American Red Cross Central Appalachia
8 Region help light the way during emergencies, whether it's delivering shelter, food and comfort
9 after disasters; providing safe, lifesaving blood for patients facing conditions like cancer, childbirth
10 complications and traumatic injuries; assisting military members, veterans, and their families with
11 24/7 global support; or empowering individuals with skills like first aid and CPR that save lives; and

12 Whereas, In 2025, 3,000 West Virginians were helped by the American Red Cross. People
13 whose lives were impacted by disaster. The Red Cross installed over 3,500 free smoke alarms,
14 collected nearly 50,000 units of blood, trained over 20,000 citizens with lifesaving skills and
15 provided more than 700 services to military members, veterans and their families; and

16 Whereas, These collective efforts are a powerful reminder that the strength of our
17 community lies in our shared commitment to one another; and

18 Whereas, As we celebrate Red Cross Month, let us commend our local heroes, and
19 resolve to continue lifting each other up, so no one faces an emergency alone; therefore, be it

20 *Resolved by the Senate:*

1 That the Senate hereby designates the month of March as American Red Cross month;

2 and, be it

3 *Further Resolved*, That the Senate expresses its sincere appreciation for all those who

4 serve people in need, and ask that everyone join in this commitment to strengthen our community;

5 and, be it

6 *Further Resolved*, That the Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution to

7 the Central Appalachian Regional office of the American Red Cross.