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2017 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 83

November 3, 2017 - Introduced by Senators VINEHOUT, COWLES, CARPENTER and WIRCH, cosponsored by Representatives HINTZ, NERISON, ANDERSON, BERCEAU, WACHS, SINICKI, POPE, SARGENT and THIESFELDT. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming September 2017 as Charcot-Marie-Tooth Disease
2 Awareness Month.

3 Whereas, Charcot-Marie-Tooth Disease, or CMT, affects approximately one in
4 2,500 people in the United States, and about 2.8 million people worldwide, making
5 it one of the most common inherited neurological disorders; and

6 Whereas, the neuropathy of CMT causes the degeneration of motor nerves
7 resulting in muscle weakness and atrophy in the extremities, characterized by a slow
8 and progressive degeneration of the muscles in the foot and lower leg and extending
9 to weakness in the hands and loss of muscle tone, causing difficulty carrying out fine
10 motor skills; and

11 Whereas, because CMT is not widely known, even in the medical community,
12 many citizens go undiagnosed, misdiagnosed, or unaware of the slow progression of
13 this disorder; and

