



National Eating Disorders Awareness Week

Senate Resolution

ABOUT EATING DISORDERS

Eating disorders are serious mental illnesses that affect individuals across the nation. It is essential that eating disorders are recognized and better understood so they may be prevented, detected early, and treated properly.



20 million women and 10 million men in the United States will suffer from an eating disorder in their lifetime.

Did you know?

Eating disorders have the highest mortality rate of any mental illness.

Eating disorders can affect anyone. People of all ages, genders, socioeconomic statuses, sexual orientations, races and ethnicities can suffer from an eating disorder.



Eating disorders can be successfully treated, yet only about one third of people ever receive treatment.

BRING AWARENESS TO EATING DISORDERS

Senators Tammy Baldwin [D-WI] and Shelley Moore Capito [R-WV] are leading an effort to bring greater awareness to eating disorders by introducing a Senate Resolution to recognize the last week of February as National Eating Disorders Awareness Week. The Resolution will:

- ✓ **Recognize National Eating Disorders Awareness Week**
- ✓ **Recognize the prevalence of eating disorders and need for treatment**
- ✓ **Support the goals and ideals of raising public awareness for eating disorders**
- ✓ **Acknowledge that eating disorders can be successfully treated and people can recover**
- ✓ **Encourage the government and citizens to support National Eating Disorders Awareness Week through programs and activities and promote awareness of eating disorders**

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