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S. RES. 471

Designating March 1, 2008, as "National Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Awareness Day".

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

March 4, 2008

Mr. Isakson (for himself, Mrs. Murray, and Ms. Klobuchar) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia affects men, women, and children of all ages;
- Whereas Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia is a very distressing disorder to those who have it, causing great discomfort and severe emotional stress;
- Whereas children with Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia are unable to participate in many normal childhood activities including most sports and are often subject to social discomfort because of their disorder;
- Whereas Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia includes a wide range of symptoms including life-threatening, uncontrollable bleeding and severe bruising;

- Whereas Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia is frequently misdiagnosed or undiagnosed by medical professionals;
- Whereas currently there is no cure for Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia;
- Whereas it is essential to educate the public on the symptoms, treatments, and constant efforts to cure Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia to ensure early diagnosis and treatment of the condition;
- Whereas Helen P. Smith established the Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Research Foundation in Augusta, Georgia, in 2001; and
- Whereas Helen Р. Smith and the Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Research Foundation have worked tireof Glanzmann's lessly to promote awareness Thrombasthenia and help fund research on the disorder: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—
 - 2 (1) designates March 1, 2008, as "National
 - 3 Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Awareness Day";
 - 4 (2) urges all people of the United States to be-
- 5 come more informed and aware of Glanzmann's
- 6 Thrombasthenia; and
- 7 (3) respectfully requests the Secretary of the
- 8 Senate to transmit a copy of this resolution to the
- 9 Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Research Foundation.