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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 93**

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*Designating October, in 2014 and in each succeeding year, as Chiropractic Health Month in Virginia.*

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Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, Doctors of Chiropractic are physician-level providers who focus on the whole person in their conservative approach to healthcare and public health, and have particular expertise in the prevention, care, and rehabilitation of neuromusculoskeletal injuries and conditions; and

WHEREAS, the chiropractic profession, since its founding more than 100 years ago, promotes neuromusculoskeletal health and overall wellness by encouraging its patients and the public to maintain a healthy lifestyle through good nutrition, regular exercise, and restful sleep; and

WHEREAS, Doctors of Chiropractic recognize through clinical experience and research that a sedentary, overmedicated lifestyle is especially dangerous for joint health, wellness, and longevity; and

WHEREAS, Doctors of Chiropractic are recognized worldwide for their health- and wellness-enhancing and injury-prevention services, which help people to heal naturally without unnecessary drugs and surgery and to resume their regular activities or achieve levels of optimal functionality; and

WHEREAS, Doctors of Chiropractic, through their regular interactions with patients and their communities, and in collaboration with other healthcare providers, have the opportunity to teach people about the importance of regular body movement and the relevance of neuromusculoskeletal health; and

WHEREAS, a month dedicated to chiropractic health serves as a reminder that individuals can overcome pain naturally, get healthier, "Discover Chiropractic: Get Vertical," and become active with the help of a Doctor of Chiropractic in their community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly designate October, in 2014 and in each succeeding year, as Chiropractic Health Month in Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates transmit a copy of this resolution to the Unified Virginia Chiropractic Association so that members of the organization may be apprised of the sense of the General Assembly of Virginia in this matter; and, be it

RESOLVED FINALLY, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates post the designation of this month on the General Assembly's website.

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