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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 16-033**

101     **CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF AUGUST 2016 AS "SPINAL**  
102             **MUSCULAR ATROPHY AWARENESS MONTH" IN COLORADO.**

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1             WHEREAS, Spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) is the leading genetic  
2     killer of children under the age of two, and one in 50 Americans carries  
3     the gene that causes SMA; and

4             WHEREAS, SMA is known to cause degeneration in voluntary  
5     muscle movement for those who survive the disease; and

6             WHEREAS, SMA crosses all racial and ethnic boundaries,  
7     affecting people of all ages and genders; and

8             WHEREAS, Increased awareness about SMA will lead to  
9     increased public knowledge and support for both disease research and the

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1 families affected by this disease, hopefully leading to a cure; and

2 WHEREAS, Patient groups have named the month of August as  
3 National Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month in order to raise  
4 awareness and promote research of this devastating disease; and

5 WHEREAS, Organizations working to find an effective treatment  
6 and cure for SMA and the families dealing with this disease deserve our  
7 support; now, therefore,

8 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventieth General Assembly*  
9 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

10 That we, the General Assembly, hereby designate the month of  
11 August 2016 as Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month in Colorado.

12 *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this joint resolution be sent  
13 to Sophia's Cure Foundation, the Gwendolyn Strong Foundation, and the  
14 Rocky Mountain Chapter of Cure SMA.