



Kotowski Raises Epilepsy Awareness By Naming March 26th Purple Day

Springfield, IL—State Senator Dan Kotowski (D-Park Ridge) is sponsoring a Senate Resolution designating March 26, 2010 Purple Day.

Founded by nine-year-old Cassidy Megan in 2008, Purple Day is an international grass-roots effort to raise epilepsy awareness.

“I was diagnosed with epilepsy at the age of 13,” Kotowski said. “With the right care and medical treatment, I’ve been able to lead a productive life, with some challenges along the way. However, for many it is a much more serious condition than most people realize.”

Supporters of the Purple Day movement are encouraging everyone to wear purple on March 26. The movement’s organizers selected purple because lavender is the color associated with epilepsy at the international level.

“Epilepsy is a serious condition, and it deserves serious attention,” Kotowski said. “I am committed to do everything I can to help everyone with epilepsy live safe, successful, seizure- free lives. I encourage everyone to wear purple on the 26th.”

A board member of the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Chicago and the **Danny Did Foundation**, Kotowski has sponsored several bills to protect the safety of individuals with epilepsy. He also recently received an Epilepsy Hero Award from the Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Chicago.