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# **MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION**

pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure

on epilepsy

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**Motion for a European Parliament resolution on epilepsy**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas epilepsy is the most widespread neurological condition after migraine;
- B. whereas 50 million people worldwide suffer from epilepsy, including 6 million in Europe, and 300 000 new cases are diagnosed each year;
- C. whereas 5% of people are likely to have a seizure and 70% of people with epilepsy could, with proper treatment, not suffer attacks, while 40% of people with epilepsy in Europe do not benefit from this treatment;
- D. whereas epilepsy leads to higher unemployment levels, disrupts people's social lives and imposes social, physical and psychological constraints on individuals and their families;
- 1. Calls on the Commission to encourage research in the prevention, diagnosis and early treatment of epilepsy and to promote the social integration of patients;
- 2. Calls on the Commission to recognise epilepsy as a health priority in Europe;
- 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.