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3 By Senators Orr, Allen, Beasley, Beason, Bedford, Blackwell,
4 Brewbaker, Bussman, Coleman, Dial, Dunn, Fielding, Figures,
5 Glover, Holley, Holtzclaw, Irons, Keahey, Marsh, McGill,
6 Pittman, Reed, Ross, Sanders, Sanford, Scofield, Singleton,
7 Smith, Smitherman, Taylor, Waggoner, Ward, Whatley and
8 Williams
9 RFD:
10 First Read: 12-FEB-13

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4 ENROLLED, SJR21,

5 RECOGNIZING CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IN
6 SEPTEMBER 2013.

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8 WHEREAS, in the U.S., almost 13,000 children under
9 the age of 21 are diagnosed with cancer every year, and
10 approximately 1/4 of them will not survive the disease; and

11 WHEREAS, cancer is the leading cause of
12 disease-related death for children; and

13 WHEREAS, childhood cancer treatment cure rates have
14 increased thus increasing the population of childhood cancer
15 survivors; today, the overall five-year survival rate for
16 childhood cancer is close to 80 percent; and

17 WHEREAS, two-thirds of childhood cancer survivors
18 face at least one chronic health condition and one quarter of
19 survivors face a late-effect from treatment that is classified
20 as severe or life-threatening; and

21 WHEREAS, notably, the objective of Childhood Cancer
22 Awareness Month is to bring awareness to the types of cancer
23 that largely affect children, survivorship issues, and most
24 importantly, to help raise funds for research and family
25 support; and

1 WHEREAS, we pay highest tribute to the courageous
2 children who have battled this tumultuous illness and their
3 loving, supportive families and communities, and we recognize
4 the magnanimous efforts and unwavering commitment of health
5 care professionals, researchers, and charities to continue to
6 seek advancements in the treatment of childhood cancer; now
7 therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
9 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the month of September 2013 is
10 recognized as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and, by copy of
11 this resolution for appropriate display, we convey our
12 commitment to the observance of this important annual endeavor
13 in the battle against childhood cancer.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

SJR21
Senate 12-FEB-13
I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris
Secretary

House of Representatives
Adopted: 26-FEB-13

By: Senator Orr