

SPONSOR: Rep. Kenton & Rep. Wilson on behalf of all Representatives & Sen. Hocker & Sen. Simpson on behalf of all Senators

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47

RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17-24, 2017 AS "PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

1	WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among males in the U.S. and in Delaware;
2	and
3	WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, about 1 in 7 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer
4	in their lifetime, and about 1 in 36 will die from prostate cancer; and
5	WHEREAS, for 2008-2012, Delaware ranked 5th in the U.S. for prostate cancer incidence; and
6	WHEREAS, the prostate cancer incidence rate among African American Delawareans continues to be
7	significantly greater than the comparable rate for Caucasians; and
8	WHEREAS, often there are no noticeable symptoms of prostate cancer while it is in the early stages; however,
9	symptoms of more advanced prostate cancer may include difficult, frequent or painful urination, blood in the urine or
10	semen and pain in the back, hips or pelvis that does not go away; and
11	WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society recommends that males make an informed decision with their health
12	care provider about whether to be screened for prostate cancer; and
13	WHEREAS, increasing awareness about prostate cancer and early detection strategies is crucial to saving lives as
14	well as preserving and protecting families.
15	NOW, THEREFORE:
16	BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 149th General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the
17	Senate concurring therein, that the week of September 17 – 24, 2017 be recognized as Prostate Cancer Awareness Week in
18	the State of Delaware

## **SYNOPSIS**

This resolution recognizes the week of September 17 - 24, 2017 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Week.