

House Resolution 122

By: Representatives Parrish of the 158th, Dubnik of the 29th, Au of the 50th, Camp of the 135th, Hawkins of the 27th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and congratulating the Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education
2 for 20 years of service to the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, cancer is the second leading cause of death in Georgia, with more than 61,000
4 new cases of cancer expected to be diagnosed in Georgia in 2023; and

5 WHEREAS, in 2003, several Georgia visionaries launched a novel nonprofit to unite medical
6 professionals, researchers, and organizations in Georgia's fight against cancer; and

7 WHEREAS, these leaders gave rise to the enterprise that is now the Georgia Center for
8 Oncology Research and Education (Georgia CORE) to address two of the state's most glaring
9 weaknesses at that time, a deficit of clinical trials and limited capacity to conduct research,
10 by orchestrating collaboration among community oncologists and academic researchers; and

11 WHEREAS, thanks to the state's investment and the collaborative partnerships between
12 Georgia CORE and its many partners across the state, Georgia is now home to more than
13 645,000 cancer survivors as well as top cancer centers and cancer research institutions,
14 including a National Cancer Institute-Designated Comprehensive Cancer Center; and

15 WHEREAS, Georgia CORE continues to serve as a catalyst and facilitator for research and
16 clinical trials as well as work to ensure greater access to screenings and education across the
17 state through partnerships with regional cancer coalitions, health centers, and other
18 organizations; and

19 WHEREAS, in 2023, Georgia CORE celebrates 20 years advancing cancer research,
20 screening, education, and treatment in Georgia and creating new paths to better cancer care
21 for all Georgians.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 members of this body recognize and congratulate the Georgia Center for Oncology Research
24 and Education and all of the extraordinary individuals who have taken up the fight against
25 cancer on the occasion of the organization's 20th anniversary.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
28 Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education.