

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 74

BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDERS

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Thursday, May 17, 2018, as Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Day at the state capitol.

WHEREAS, Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma, or DIPG, affects up to four hundred children in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS, brain tumors are the leading cause of cancer-related deaths in children; and

WHEREAS, DIPG is the second most common malignant tumor found in children and is the leading cause of childhood death due to brain tumors; and

WHEREAS, even though prognosis has not improved for children with DIPG in more than thirty-five years, research discoveries and the development of new medical technologies finally offer hope for children afflicted with this disease; and

WHEREAS, it is important to increase research, advocate for effective diagnostic screenings, and support the development of improved therapies for early and effective treatment for DIPG; and

WHEREAS, the families and advocates of those affected by DIPG play a valuable role in helping the medical community to develop a greater understanding of this syndrome.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Thursday, May 17, 2018, as Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma Day at the state capitol, and hereby encourages all citizens of the great state of Louisiana to increase their awareness of the devastating effects of this terrible disease.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES