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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

BY SENATOR FOIL

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Proclaims March 21, 2022, as Louisiana State Capitol Colorectal Cancer Awareness Day in Louisiana.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To proclaim March 21, 2022, as Louisiana State Capitol Colorectal Cancer Awareness Day
3	in Louisiana.
4	WHEREAS, cancer is ranked second highest cause of death in Louisiana; and
5	WHEREAS, there will be an estimated 28,680 new cases of cancer in Louisiana in
6	calendar year 2022; and
7	WHEREAS, there will be an estimated nearly 10,000 deaths from cancer in
8	Louisiana in 2022, a mortality rate that is well above the national average; and
9	WHEREAS, one of the reasons colorectal cancer has such a high mortality rate is
10	that an estimated forty percent of all at-risk individuals have never been screened; and
11	WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is a highly preventable, treatable, and survivable
12	cancer, especially when screened and diagnosed early; and
13	WHEREAS, screening should happen for everyone between the ages of forty-five
14	and seventy-five; and
15	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Health, along with the Mary Bird Perkins
16	Cancer Center, has set a goal of increasing screenings by two percentage points in calendar
17	year 2022 in an effort to reduce colorectal cancer rates in Louisiana; the entities will be
18	utilizing strategies for education, public outreach, and greater accessibility to screenings to

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1	meet this goal; and
2	WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Capitol will serve as the official kick-off location
3	for this effort.
4	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
5	proclaim March 21, 2022, as Louisiana State Capitol Colorectal Cancer Awareness Day in
5	Louisiana.
7	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
3	Todd D. Stevens, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Mary Bird Perkins Cancer
)	Center.
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