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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

SENATE RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE 2024 LEUKEMIA LYMPHOMA SOCIETY'S "LIGHT THE NIGHT® WALK" EVENT ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

Introduced By: Senator Hanna M. Gallo

Date Introduced: June 06, 2024

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

WHEREAS, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) is a 501(c)(3) charitable 1 2 organization, and is a global leader in the fight against blood cancer; and WHEREAS, The noble mission of LLS is to ultimately "cure leukemia, lymphoma, 3 Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families"; 4 5 and WHEREAS, Leukemia is a cancer that affects the white blood cells in the body, starting 6 7 in the bone marrow, where the cells are produced, and eventually disrupts the normal production of these cells; and 8 9 WHEREAS, There are many types of Leukemia, and the exact cause of this disease is 10 unknown. It can occur at any age, but it is more common in adults than children; and 11 WHEREAS, LLS supports and raises funding for "lifesaving blood cancer research 12 around the world, provides free information and support services, and is a voice for blood cancer patients seeking access to quality, affordable, coordinated care"; and 13 14 WHEREAS, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's "Light The Night® Walk", to be 15 held on September 22, 2024, is a premier fundraising event established to help fund lifesaving 16 research, provide advocacy and support for blood cancer patients and their families, and raise 17 awareness and bring communities together to celebrate and commemorate lives touched by blood 18 cancer; and

WHEREAS, The "Light The Night® Walk", is an evening event, held in the City of

- 1 Providence, beginning at the Rhode Island State House, and culminating with "bringing light to
- 2 the darkness of cancer with lanterns of hope"; now, therefore be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby supports the 2024
- 4 Leukemia Lymphoma Society's "Light The Night® Walk" on September 22, 2024 and
- 5 encourages all Rhode Islanders to join in this special evening walk to help fund research to find
- 6 cures and ensure access to treatments for all blood cancer patients; and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 8 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Laura Lanni, Campaign Development Manager
- 9 for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Providence Light The Night® Walk.

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