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H. CON. RES. 64

Recognizing the severity of the issue of cervical health, and for other purposes.

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Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD (for herself, Mr. LAZIO, Mr. COBURN, Mr. BLILEY, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. WYNN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. UPTON, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. KELLY, Ms. GRANGER, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. FILNER, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. FROST, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. HORN, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. PELOSI, Ms. LEE, Mr. BALDACCI, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. BENTSEN, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. KUYKENDALL, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. BORSKI, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. RILEY, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELÓ, Mr. CONDIT, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. SPENCE, Ms. CARSON, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. NEY, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. NADLER, Mr. BACHUS, Ms. LOFGREN, Mrs. MYRICK, Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. LARGENT, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. LANTOS, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. FORD, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. SHAD-EGG, and Mr. BOEHLERT) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing the severity of the issue of cervical health, and
for other purposes.

Whereas cervical cancer annually strikes an estimated 15,000
women in the United States;

Whereas during an average woman's lifetime cervical cancer
strikes one out of every 50 American women;

Whereas it is estimated that during this decade more than
150,000 women will be diagnosed with cervical cancer in
the United States;

Whereas according to the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and
End Results Program of the National Cancer Institute,
when cervical cancer is detected at an early stage, the
five-year survival rate is 91 percent;

Whereas in most cases cervical cancer is a preventable dis-
ease yet is one of the leading causes of death among
women worldwide;

Whereas according to the Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention, the mortality rate among American women
with cervical cancer declined during the period 1960
through 1997, but now has begun to rise;

Whereas clinical studies have confirmed that the human
papillomavirus (HPV) is a major cause of cervical cancer
and unknown precursor lesions; and

Whereas cervical cancer survivors have shown tremendous
courage and determination in the face of adversity: Now,
therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring),*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This resolution may be cited as the “Cervical Cancer
3 Public Awareness Resolution”.

4 **SEC. 2. RECOGNIZING THE SEVERITY OF CERVICAL**
5 **CANCER.**

6 The Congress—

7 (1) recognizes the severity of the issue of cer-
8 vical health;

9 (2) calls on the United States as a whole to
10 support both the individuals with cervical cancer as
11 well as the family and loved ones of individuals with
12 cervical cancer through public awareness and edu-
13 cation;

14 (3) calls on the people of the United States to
15 take this opportunity to learn about cervical cancer
16 and the improved detection methods available;

17 (4) recognizes through education and early de-
18 tection, women can lower their likelihood for devel-
19 oping cervical cancer;

20 (5) recognizes the importance of federally fund-
21 ed programs that provide cervical cancer screenings
22 and follow-up services to medically underserved indi-
23 viduals; and

24 (6) encourages all women to have regular Pap
25 smear tests.

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