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Supporting the observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VITTER submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and for other purposes.

Whereas every 3 minutes a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer;

Whereas another 215,990 new cases of breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in the United States in 2004;

Whereas breast cancer is the leading cause of death among women between the ages of 40 and 55;

Whereas 1 out of every 8 women who live to the age of 85 will develop breast cancer in her lifetime;

Whereas the survival rate of women who have breast cancer is 96 percent when detected in the early stages;

Whereas mammograms and monthly breast self-examinations are the key components of early detection; and

Whereas observing a Breast Cancer Awareness Month would provide a special opportunity to offer education on the importance of monthly breast self-examinations and annual mammograms: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) supports the observance of Breast Cancer
4 Awareness Month in order to provide a special op-
5 portunity to offer education on the importance of
6 monthly breast self-examinations and annual mam-
7 mograms;

8 (2) salutes the more than 2,000,000 breast can-
9 cer survivors in the United States and the efforts of
10 victims, volunteers, and professionals who combat
11 breast cancer each day;

12 (3) recognizes and applauds the national and
13 community organizations for their work in pro-
14 moting awareness about breast cancer, providing in-
15 formation, and offering treatment to its sufferers;
16 and

17 (4) urges organizations and health practitioners
18 to use this opportunity to promote awareness about
19 breast cancer, to support monthly self-examinations,
20 and to encourage annual mammograms.

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