# 109TH CONGRESS H. CON. RES. 210

## **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

Whereas cancer strikes one out of every two men and one out of every three women;

Whereas this year alone, cancer will claim the lives of more than 570,000 Americans—1,500 per day—and is the cause of one of every four deaths in the United States;

Whereas more than 1,300,000 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in 2005;

- Whereas it is estimated that cancer cost the Nation nearly \$190,000,000,000 in 2003, including more than \$69,000,000,000 in direct medical costs;
- Whereas the Nation's investment in cancer research and programs has led to real progress—between 1991 and 2001, cancer death rates declined by more than 9 percent and about 258,000 lives were saved;
- Whereas cancer touches almost every family, with over 10,000,000 Americans now living with a history of cancer;
- Whereas at least half of all cancer deaths could be prevented by applying existing knowledge;
- Whereas the Director of the National Cancer Institute has set a bold goal to eliminate suffering and death due to cancer by 2015; and
- Whereas eliminating suffering and death due to cancer will require a commitment by the Congress and the private sector to continue to make the fight against cancer a priority: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
  - 2 concurring), That the Congress supports the goal of elimi-
  - 3 nating suffering and death due to cancer by 2015.

Passed the House of Representatives September 19, 2006.

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Supporting the goal of eliminating suffering and death due cancer by the year 2015.