

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas women of all backgrounds have the power to greatly reduce their risk of common diseases through preventive measures, such as leading a healthy lifestyle that includes engaging in regular physical activity, eating a nutritious diet, and visiting a healthcare provider to receive regular check-ups and preventative screenings;

Whereas significant disparities exist in the prevalence of disease among women of different backgrounds, including women with disabilities, African-American women, Asian-Pacific Islander women, Latinas, and American Indian-Alaska Native women;

Whereas healthy habits should begin at a young age;

Whereas preventive care saves Federal dollars designated for health care;

Whereas it is important to educate women and girls about the significance of awareness of key female health issues;

Whereas the offices of women's health within the Department of Health and Human Services, the Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Health Resources and Services Administration, the National Institutes of Health, and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality are vital to providing critical services that support women's health re-

search and education and other necessary services that benefit women of all ages, races, and ethnicities;

Whereas National Women’s Health Week begins on Mother’s Day each year and celebrates the efforts of national and community organizations that work with partners and volunteers to improve awareness of key women’s health issues; and

Whereas in 2008, the week of May 11 through May 17 is dedicated as National Women’s Health Week: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) recognizes the importance of preventing dis-
4 eases that commonly affect women;

5 (2) supports the goals and ideals of National
6 Women’s Health Week;

7 (3) calls on the people of the United States to
8 use National Women’s Health Week as an oppor-
9 tunity to learn about health issues that face women;

10 (4) calls on the women of the United States to
11 observe National Women’s Check-Up Day on May
12 12, 2008 by receiving preventive screenings from
13 their healthcare providers; and

1 (5) recognizes the importance of Federally
2 funded programs that provide research and collect
3 data on diseases that commonly affect women.

Passed the Senate May 7, 2008.

Attest:

Secretary.

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