

BY REPRESENTATIVE MORENO

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To commend Susan G. Komen for the Cure and its Louisiana affiliates for improving the

3 quality of life in local communities through the delivery of breast cancer education,

4 screening, treatment, and research, and to recognize Tuesday, April 29, 2014, as

5 Komen for the Cure Day at the Legislature of Louisiana.

6 WHEREAS, Susan G. Komen for the Cure is the world's largest grassroots network

7 of breast cancer survivors and advocates fighting together to save lives, empower people,

8 ensure quality care for all, and energize science to find breast cancer cures; and

9 WHEREAS, except for skin cancer, breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed

10 cancer in women in the United States; and

11 WHEREAS, among the fifty states, Louisiana had the highest rate of breast cancer

12 mortality in 2013, despite the fact that the breast cancer incidence rate in Louisiana is lower

13 than the national average; and

14 WHEREAS, this year in Louisiana, it is estimated that over three thousand new cases

15 of breast cancer will be diagnosed in women, and over six hundred Louisiana women will

16 die of the disease, many of them facing a late-stage diagnosis involving fewer treatment

17 options and lower chances of survival; and

18 WHEREAS, Louisiana has the fourth highest uninsured rate in the United States and,

19 as a consequence, many women choose to delay or completely forego the breast cancer

20 screenings that are a key to surviving this disease; and

1 WHEREAS, Susan G. Komen for the Cure and its Louisiana affiliates honor their
2 mission to save lives and end breast cancer forever by advocating to preserve full state
3 funding and matching federal funding to the Louisiana Breast and Cervical Health Program;
4 full funding of the Louisiana Breast and Cervical Health Program will ensure that the
5 program continues to provide breast cancer early detection services to women in the state;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, Susan G. Komen for the Cure continues its mission locally, nationally,
8 and globally to identify the cures that will end breast cancer as a life-threatening disease and
9 to provide community-based support to the women and men who are fighting breast cancer
10 today, including those in the state of Louisiana.

11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
12 commend Susan G. Komen for the Cure and its Louisiana affiliates for their unwavering
13 dedication to fight against breast cancer and does hereby recognize Tuesday, April 29, 2014,
14 as Susan G. Komen for the Cure Day at the legislature.

DIGEST

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