**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR CANCER PATIENTS, SURVIVORS AND THEIR FAMILIES, TO REMEMBER THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN LOST TO CANCER, AND TO DECLARE TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017, AS “SUITS AND SNEAKERS DAY” IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, Suits and Sneakers is a collaboration between the American Cancer Society and the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network leveraging the personal experiences, community leadership, and professional excellence of coaches nationwide to increase cancer awareness and promote healthy living through year‑round awareness efforts, fundraising activities, and advocacy programs; and

Whereas, the American Cancer Society saves lives and creates a world with more birthdays by helping people stay well, by helping people get well, by finding cures, and by fighting back in partnership with its nonpartisan advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network; and

Whereas, more than twenty‑seven thousand South Carolinians will be diagnosed with cancer in 2017; and

Whereas, cancer patients face countless challenges associated with their diagnoses, including physical, emotional, financial, and day‑to‑day challenges; and

Whereas, as South Carolina continues to navigate through tough legislation, it is more important than ever to support efforts to combat cancer; and

Whereas, not only will effective policies prevent, detect, and treat cancer to save countless lives, but those policies will significantly reduce the financial strain this disease puts on South Carolinians and our great State. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this Resolution, honor cancer patients, survivors and their families, remember those people who have been lost to cancer, and declare Tuesday, March 7, 2017, as “Suits and Sneakers Day” in South Carolina.

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