**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2020 AS “SUITS AND SNEAKERS DAY” IN SOUTH CAROLINA IN ORDER TO HONOR CANCER PATIENTS, SURVIVORS, AND THEIR FAMILIES AND TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES TO CANCER.

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 Cancer Action Network empowers advocates across the State to make their voices heard and influence evidence‑based public policy change that will reduce the cancer burden on our State; and

Whereas, it is estimated that more than thirty-one thousand South Carolinians will be diagnosed with cancer in 2020; and

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

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

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

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize Wednesday, February 5, 2020 as “Suits and Sneakers Day” in South Carolina in order to honor cancer patients, survivors, and their families and to remember those who have lost their lives to cancer.

Be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor and to all members of the South Carolina Senate.

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