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Expressing the support of the Congress for activities to increase public awareness of the dangers of pediatric cancer.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FORBES submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the support of the Congress for activities to increase public awareness of the dangers of pediatric cancer.

Whereas 8,000 to 10,000 children are diagnosed and approximately 1,700 die from cancer each year making cancer the chief cause of death by disease of children under 15 in the United States;

Whereas the number of children diagnosed with cancer each year has risen from 12 per 100,000 in the 1970s to 14 per 100,000 today;

Whereas early detection and treatment can greatly increase the chances of survival;

Whereas cancer in children is often difficult to recognize and parents should be alert to any unusual symptoms; and

Whereas the President and the Federal Government should
 take a leadership role in educating the public about the
 potential dangers of pediatric cancer: Now, therefore, be
 it

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

3 (1) supports efforts by national, State, and
 4 local entities, both public and private, to heighten
 5 public awareness of the dangers of pediatric cancer
 6 and the importance of regular medical examinations
 7 for children; and

8 (2) encourages Federal agencies and depart-
 9 ments to actively support efforts, both public and
 10 private, to increase public awareness of the dangers
 11 of pediatric cancer and the importance of regular
 12 medical examinations for children.

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