## 106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## S. RES. 108

Designating the month of March, 2000, as "National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month".

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 26, 1999

Mr. Breaux (for himself, Mr. Murkowski, Mr. Mack, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Lautenberg, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Helms, Mr. Torricelli, Ms. Landrieu, Ms. Collins, Mr. Reid, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Hollings, Mr. Warner, Mr. Robb, Mr. Roth, Mr. Hagel, Mrs. Lincoln, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Voinovich, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Dodd, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Gorton, Mr. Dewine, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Ashcroft, Mr. Abraham, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Bond, Mr. Nickles, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Inouye, and Mr. Graham) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

NOVEMBER 19, 1999

Committee discharged; considered, amended, and agreed to

## **RESOLUTION**

Designating the month of March, 2000, as "National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month".

Whereas colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States;

Whereas it is estimated that in 1999, physicians will diagnose 129,400 new cases of colorectal cancer in the United States;

- Whereas in 1999, the disease is expected to kill 56,600 individuals in this country;
- Whereas less than 50 percent of individuals above age 50 receive annual screenings for colorectal cancer;
- Whereas adopting a healthy diet at a young age can significantly reduce the risk of developing colorectal cancer;
- Whereas March is also designated as National Nutrition Awareness Month and the prevention of colorectal cancer is highly dependent on dietary factors;
- Whereas regular screenings can save large numbers of lives; and
- Whereas education can help inform the public of methods of prevention and symptoms of early detection: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved,
  - 2 SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL COLORECTAL
  - 3 CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.
  - 4 The Senate—
  - 5 (1) designates March, 2000, as "National
  - 6 Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month"; and
  - 7 (2) requests that the President issue a procla-
- 8 mation calling upon the people of the United States
- 9 to observe the month with appropriate ceremonies
- and activities.

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