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H. CON. RES. 476

Supporting the observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. HARRIS (for herself, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. CAPPs, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. CLEAVER, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. DREIER, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HALL, Ms. HART, Mr. HIGGINS, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. McNULTY, Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mrs. MYRICK, Ms. NORTON, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. OWENS, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. REYES, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and Mr. WYNN) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting the observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and for other purposes.

Whereas every 3 minutes a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer;

Whereas another 212,000 new cases of breast cancer were diagnosed in the United States in 2005;

Whereas breast cancer is the leading cause of death among women between the ages of 40 and 55;

Whereas breast cancer caused over 40,000 deaths in the United States in 2005;

Whereas 1 out of every 8 women who live to the age of 85 will develop breast cancer in her lifetime;

Whereas the survival rate of women who have breast cancer is 96 percent when detected in the early stages;

Whereas mammograms and monthly breast self-examinations are the key components of early detection;

Whereas observing a Breast Cancer Awareness Month would provide a special opportunity to offer education on the importance of monthly breast self-examinations and annual mammograms; and

Whereas it would be appropriate to observe October 2006 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) supports the observance of Breast Cancer
4 Awareness Month in order to provide a special op-
5 portunity to offer education on the importance of
6 monthly breast self-examinations and annual mam-
7 mograms;

8 (2) salutes the more than 2,000,000 breast can-
9 cer survivors in the United States and the efforts of
10 victims, volunteers, and professionals who combat
11 breast cancer each day;

12 (3) recognizes and applauds the national and
13 community organizations for their work in pro-

1 moting awareness about breast cancer, providing in-
2 formation, and offering treatment to its sufferers;
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4 (4) urges organizations and health practitioners
5 to use this opportunity to promote awareness about
6 breast cancer, to support monthly self-examinations,
7 and to encourage annual mammograms.

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