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House Resolution 1 2 A resolution designating July 2014 as "Bladder Cancer Awareness Month" in Florida. 3 4 5 WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and 6 Prevention, bladder cancer is the sixth most common cancer in 7 the United States, and 8 WHEREAS, among the states, Florida has the fourth largest 9 population, the third highest incidence of bladder cancer, and the second highest rate of bladder cancer deaths in the country, 10 11 and WHEREAS, bladder cancer is the fourth most common cancer in 12 13 men and the tenth most common cancer in women, and 14 WHEREAS, men have a 1 in 26 chance and women have a 1 in 90 15 chance of being diagnosed with bladder cancer in their 16 lifetimes, and WHEREAS, this year in the United States, approximately 17 18 73,000 new cases of bladder cancer will be diagnosed and nearly 19 15,000 people will die from the disease, and 20 WHEREAS, bladder cancer occurs in more women annually than 21 cervical cancer, and WHEREAS, women often have a delayed diagnosis due to 22 23 bladder cancer being mistaken for common gynecological problems, 24 and

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25 WHEREAS, although bladder cancer can occur at any age, a 26 high percentage of people suffering from the disease are over 27 the age of 55, and 28 WHEREAS, even though bladder cancer is the sixth most 29 common cancer in the United States, it ranks twenty-second in 30 research money received, and 31 WHEREAS, due to a reoccurrence rate of 50 to 80 percent, 32 bladder cancer is one of the most expensive cancers to treat, 33 NOW, THEREFORE, 34 35 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of 36 Florida: 37 That July 2014 is designated as "Bladder Cancer Awareness 38 39 Month" in Florida.

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