

HR 9105

2011

## 1 House Resolution

2 A resolution designating October 17-23, 2011, as "Male  
3 Breast Cancer Awareness Week" in Florida.

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5 WHEREAS, an estimated 450 men die from breast cancer each  
6 year, a number that is expected only to increase, and

7 WHEREAS, breast cancer is widely believed to be a disease  
8 confined to women, and due to a general lack of awareness that  
9 men can also develop breast cancer, men are typically diagnosed  
10 during the disease's later stages, and

11 WHEREAS, promoting awareness and education about male  
12 breast cancer is crucial to improving the health and well-being  
13 of men throughout the state and nation, facilitating earlier  
14 detection, improving the prognoses of men who have been  
15 diagnosed with the disease, and ultimately preventing further  
16 loss of life, and

17 WHEREAS, in remembrance of the many men who have lost their  
18 lives to breast cancer, and in support of those who are  
19 currently fighting this often overlooked disease, every citizen,  
20 whether male or female, including parents, siblings, spouses,  
21 educators, and physicians, is encouraged to take part in  
22 spreading awareness of male breast cancer, NOW, THEREFORE,

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24 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of  
25 Florida:

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27 That October 17-23, 2011, is designated as "Male Breast  
28 Cancer Awareness Week" in the State of Florida.