

HR 9077

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House Resolution

A resolution to raise awareness of stomach cancer.

WHEREAS, stomach cancer, also referred to as gastric cancer, forms in tissues lining the stomach and typically develops slowly over many years, and

WHEREAS, as of 2012, an estimated 76,829 people were living with stomach cancer in the United States, and

WHEREAS, the treatment for stomach cancer may include surgery, radiation, chemotherapy, biologic therapy, or a combination of these options, and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society reports that the overall 5-year relative survival rate of people with stomach cancer in the United States is approximately 29 percent, and

WHEREAS, about 80 percent of individuals diagnosed with stomach cancer are diagnosed with metastatic cancer, and

WHEREAS, late diagnosis of stomach cancer, which significantly reduces the 5-year survival rate, is often due to the fact that stomach cancer has very few warning signs, and

WHEREAS, in 2015, an estimated 24,590 Americans learned that they have stomach cancer, and nearly 11,000 died from this disease, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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27 That it is important that awareness of stomach cancer be
28 raised to encourage research, improve diagnosis and treatment,
29 and, one day, identify a cure.