

SENATE BILL NO. 198

BY SENATORS PEACOCK, ALLAIN, FOIL, HEWITT, MILLIGAN, PRICE, REESE AND WOMACK AND REPRESENTATIVES ADAMS, BACALA, BAGLEY, BEAULLIEU, BOURRIAQUE, BRASS, BROWN, BUTLER, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, WILFORD CARTER, CORMIER, COX, CREWS, DESHOTEL, DUBUISSON, DUPLESSIS, ECHOLS, EDMONDS, EMERSON, FARNUM, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, FRIEMAN, GADBERRY, GAROFALO, GOUDEAU, GREEN, HARRIS, HOLLIS, HORTON, HUGHES, ILLG, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, MIKE JOHNSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, JONES, KERNER, LACOMBE, LYONS, MARINO, MCCORMICK, MCFARLAND, MCKNIGHT, MCMAHEN, MIGUEZ, MINCEY, MOORE, NEWELL, CHARLES OWEN, ROBERT OWEN, PHELPS, PRESSLY, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SEABAUGH, SELDERS, STAGNI, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, WHEAT, WHITE AND WILLARD

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 49:158.2, relative to the designation of the month of September as Childhood
3 Cancer Awareness Month; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 49:158.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

6 **§158.2. Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**

7 **A. The legislature does hereby recognize and acknowledge that:**

8 **(1) Childhood cancer remains the number one cause of death by disease**
9 **for children in the United States of America.**

10 **(2) It is the policy of this state to acknowledge the challenges faced by**
11 **children with cancer and their families, to support their continued efforts in**
12 **their courageous fight against the disease, and to assist them in spreading**
13 **awareness of the impact of childhood cancer while seeking to find a cure.**

14 **(3) The month of September has been recognized by childhood cancer**
15 **organizations around the world as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and the**
16 **color gold has been designated as the official color signifying awareness of**
17 **childhood cancer in honor and in memory of children with cancer.**

1 **B. The legislature hereby designates the month of September each year**
2 **as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in Louisiana and that the official**
3 **color signifying that awareness is gold.**

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____