

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 12

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKNIGHT

HEALTH/CANCER: Recognizes March 21, 2022, as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Day at the state capitol

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To recognize Monday, March 21, 2022, as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Day at the state  
3 capitol.

4 WHEREAS, in Louisiana, cancer is ranked as the second highest cause of death; and

5 WHEREAS, in 2022, there will be 28,680 new cancer cases and nearly 10,000 deaths  
6 in Louisiana, according to estimates; and

7 WHEREAS, in Louisiana, the mortality rate from cancer is well above the national  
8 average, and one of the reasons colorectal cancer has such a high mortality rate is that an  
9 estimated forty percent of all at-risk individuals have never been screened; and

10 WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is a highly preventable, treatable, and survivable form  
11 of cancer, especially when it is diagnosed early; and

12 WHEREAS, screening for colorectal cancer should happen for everyone between the  
13 ages of 45 and 75; and

14 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Health, along with the Mary Bird Perkins  
15 Cancer Center, has set a goal of increasing screenings by two percentage points in 2022, to  
16 reduce colorectal cancer rates through education and outreach, and to make screenings more  
17 accessible for at-risk individuals; and

18 WHEREAS, the Louisiana state capitol will serve as the official kick-off location for  
19 this effort.

1           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
2   Legislature of Louisiana does hereby recognize Monday, March 21, 2022, as Colorectal  
3   Cancer Awareness Day at the state capitol.

4           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
5   Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center and to the secretary of the Louisiana Department of  
6   Health.

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