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U.S. GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Expressing support for the goals of Stomach Cancer Awareness Month.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 17, 2022

Mr. YOUNG (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BRAUN, and Mr. WARNOCK) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

## RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the goals of Stomach Cancer Awareness Month.

Whereas stomach cancer, also known as gastric cancer, is one of the most difficult cancers to detect in the early stages of the disease, which contributes to high mortality rates;

- Whereas stomach cancer occurs when cancer cells develop in the lining of the stomach;
- Whereas stomach cancer is the fifth most common type of cancer worldwide;

Whereas, in 2022, an estimated—

(1) 26,380 cases of stomach cancer will be diagnosed in the United States; and

(2) 11,090 individuals in the United States will die from stomach cancer;

- Whereas the estimated 5-year survival rate for stomach cancer is only 32.4 percent, and when diagnosed at a late, or distant, stage, the 5-year survival rate is just 6 percent;
- Whereas, in the United States, stomach cancer is more prevalent among racial and ethnic minorities;
- Whereas initial diagnosis of stomach cancer is often delayed because up to 80 percent of patients are asymptomatic during early stages;
- Whereas increased awareness of, and education about, stomach cancer among patients and health care providers could improve timely recognition of stomach cancer symptoms;
- Whereas more research into early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for stomach cancer is needed; and
- Whereas November 2022 is an appropriate month to observe Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: Now, therefore, be it
- 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—
- 2 (1) supports the goals of Stomach Cancer
  3 Awareness Month;
- 4 (2) supports efforts to increase awareness of,
  5 and education about, stomach cancer among the
  6 general public of the United States;
- 7 (3) recognizes the need for additional research
  8 into early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for
  9 stomach cancer; and

(4) encourages States, territories, and localities
 of the United States to support the goals of Stom ach Cancer Awareness Month.

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