



SPONSOR: Rep. K. Williams on behalf of all Representatives &  
Sen. Walsh on behalf of all Senators

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 12, 2023 AS "WORLD CHOLANGIOCARCINOMA DAY" IN DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, cholangiocarcinoma, also known as bile duct cancer, is a cancer that occurs in the bile ducts in or  
2 outside the liver that play a key role in the digestive cycle; and

3 WHEREAS, there are three types of cholangiocarcinoma based on the location they occur: intrahepatic, located in  
4 the smaller bile duct branches in the liver, perihilar, located where the left and right hepatic ducts have joined and are  
5 leaving the liver, and distal, which is located near the small intestine; and

6 WHEREAS, nearly 10,000 Americans develop cholangiocarcinoma every year; and

7 WHEREAS, the average age of those with cholangiocarcinoma is 72, however approximately 1/3 of those  
8 diagnosed are under 65, with the youngest known patient being 12; and

9 WHEREAS, early detection can be key in treating cholangiocarcinoma, but only a small number of cases are  
10 found early enough to be removed by surgery; and

11 WHEREAS, because it is difficult to detect and diagnose cholangiocarcinoma due to the bile ducts being deep in  
12 the body and there not being a reliable blood test; and

13 WHEREAS, Kelly green signifies cholangiocarcinoma awareness; and test, when diagnosed, patients usually  
14 present with more developed tumors; and

15 WHEREAS, there is currently no cure for cholangiocarcinoma; and

16 WHEREAS, the 5-year survival rate for this type of cancer is 2 to 30%; and

17 WHEREAS, increased awareness and research of this cancer could lead to earlier detection and better treatments  
18 in the future; and

19 WHEREAS, different foundations, research centers, and charities throughout the world have come together to  
20 raise awareness of cholangiocarcinoma with World Cholangiocarcinoma Day; and

21 NOW, THEREFORE:

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the  
23 Senate concurring therein, that February 12, 2023, is recognized as World Cholangiocarcinoma Day.

SYNOPSIS

Cholangiocarcinoma, also known as bile duct cancer, is a cancer that occurs in the bile ducts in or outside the liver.  
This Resolution recognizes February 12, 2023 as "World Cholangiocarcinoma Day" in Delaware.