SPONSOR: Rep. Kenton & Rep. Wilson on behalf of all Representatives & Sen. Hocker & Sen. Simpson on behalf of all Senators

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47

RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17-24, 2017 AS "PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among males in the U.S. and in Delaware; and

WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, about 1 in 7 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime, and about 1 in 36 will die from prostate cancer; and

WHEREAS, for 2008-2012, Delaware ranked 5th in the U.S. for prostate cancer incidence; and

WHEREAS, the prostate cancer incidence rate among African American Delawareans continues to be significantly greater than the comparable rate for Caucasians; and

WHEREAS, often there are no noticeable symptoms of prostate cancer while it is in the early stages; however, symptoms of more advanced prostate cancer may include difficult, frequent or painful urination, blood in the urine or semen and pain in the back, hips or pelvis that does not go away; and

WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society recommends that males make an informed decision with their health care provider about whether to be screened for prostate cancer; and

WHEREAS, increasing awareness about prostate cancer and early detection strategies is crucial to saving lives as well as preserving and protecting families.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 149th General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the Senate concurring therein, that the week of September 17 – 24, 2017 be recognized as Prostate Cancer Awareness Week in the State of Delaware

SYNOPSIS

This resolution recognizes the week of September 17 – 24, 2017 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Week.

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