

Senate Resolution 769

By: Senators Unterman of the 45th, Mullis of the 53rd, Orrock of the 36th and Miller of the 49th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing September, 2018, as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, children are the world's most precious resource, providing hope for the future
4 and representing innocence, happiness, and joy; and

5 WHEREAS, on any given day, approximately 43 children in the United States are diagnosed
6 with childhood cancer, and the average age of diagnosis is six; and

7 WHEREAS, childhood cancer occurs randomly and affects all ethnic groups, genders,
8 socioeconomic classes, and geographical regions; and

9 WHEREAS, the number one cause of death by disease in America's children is cancer; and

10 WHEREAS, more than 40,000 children are treated for childhood cancer each year, and 12
11 percent of those diagnosed with childhood cancer do not survive; and

12 WHEREAS, the objective of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is to put a spotlight on the
13 types of cancer that largely affect children and to help raise funds for research and family
14 support because a diagnosis of childhood cancer turns the lives of the entire family upside
15 down; and

16 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia recognizes the devastating effects of cancer on children and
17 encourages childhood cancer awareness and the promotion of early detection and education.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 recognize September, 2018, as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
22 press.