

Senate Resolution 149

By: Senators Williams of the 27th, Payne of the 54th, Tillery of the 19th, Brass of the 28th and Thompson of the 14th

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating September 1 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Day in Georgia; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, childhood cancer is the number one cause of death by disease among children
4 under the age of 19; and

5 WHEREAS, two-thirds of children with cancer will develop a lifelong condition as a result
6 of treatment, and with 12 types and over 100 subtypes of pediatric cancer, every day 46
7 children are diagnosed and seven lose their lives; and

8 WHEREAS, there are 70 potential life years lost on average when a child dies of cancer
9 compared to 15 potential life years lost for adults; and

10 WHEREAS, pediatric cancer occurs regularly and randomly among children, sparing no
11 ethnic group, socioeconomic class, or geographic region; and

12 WHEREAS, those working in the field of pediatric oncology demonstrate great compassion,
13 understanding, and kindness for the children in their care and their dedication and
14 commitment to the betterment of the world is appreciated and acknowledged.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 GEORGIA that September 1 shall be set aside and officially designated as Childhood Cancer
17 Awareness Day in Georgia.

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