

House Resolution 1116

By: Representatives Schofield of the 63rd, Scott of the 76th, Davis of the 87th, Donatucci of the 105th, Cameron of the 1st, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring all cancer patients, survivors, and their families as well as recognizing February
2 4, 2026, and Cancer Action Day; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, World Cancer Day is an international day observed every February 4, to raise
4 awareness about cancer, encourage its prevention, and mobilize action to address the global
5 cancer epidemic; and

6 WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) is the non-
7 profit, non-partisan advocacy affiliate of the American Cancer Society; and

8 WHEREAS, the ACS CAN empowers advocates across the state to make their voices heard
9 and influence evidence-based public policy change that will reduce the cancer burden on our
10 state; and

11 WHEREAS, cancer remains the leading cause of death in Georgia, and it is estimated that
12 more than 68,000 Georgians will be diagnosed with cancer in 2026; it is also estimated that
13 over 19,000 Georgians will pass away from cancer this year; and

14 WHEREAS, ACS CAN advocates for policies that prevent cancer; promote early detection
15 and screening; improve access to affordable, quality healthcare; and reduce tobacco and
16 nicotine use by engaging lawmakers with data, research, and constituent stories; and

17 WHEREAS, cancer patients face countless challenges associated with their diagnoses,
18 including physical, emotional, financial, and day-to-day challenges; and

19 WHEREAS, as Georgia continues to navigate through tough legislation, it is more important
20 than ever to support efforts to combat cancer; and

21 WHEREAS, not only will effective policies to prevent, detect, and treat cancer save
22 countless lives, but they will significantly reduce the financial strain that this disease places
23 on Georgians and our great state; and

24 WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network would like to recognize
25 all cancer survivors, caregivers, and advocates.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body honor all cancer patients, survivors, and their families; remember
28 those people who have been lost to cancer; and recognize February 4, 2026, as Cancer Action
29 Day.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
31 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
32 public and the press.