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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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12 To recognize and declare November 2023 to be Lung Cancer Awareness Month in the District of
13 Columbia.

14 WHEREAS, lung and bronchus cancer were the second deadliest cancers in the District

15 in 2023;

16 WHEREAS, the survival rate of District residents with lung cancer is 28 percent;

17 WHEREAS, the District's early-stage detection rate for lung cancer cases ranks 40th
18 among U.S. states;

19 WHEREAS, only 3 percent of District residents considered at high risk for lung cancer
20 have been screened for lung cancer;

21 WHEREAS, the rate of new lung cancer cases in the District is 59 per 100,000 among
22 Black residents, 37 per 100,000 among Asian American and Pacific Islander residents, 25 per
23 100,000 among white residents, and 15 per 100,000 among Latino residents;

24 WHEREAS, 25 percent of Black District residents with lung cancer did not receive any
25 treatment;

26 WHEREAS, 9.5 percent of District residents smoked tobacco in 2021, with even higher
27 rates among those aged 55 to 64;

28 WHEREAS, the District's Healthy People 2030 plan aims to reduce smoking rates to 6.1
29 percent by 2030; and

30 WHEREAS, according to the American Cancer Society, 80 percent of lung cancer deaths
31 are believed to be caused by smoking.

32 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
33 resolution may be cited as the "Lung Cancer Awareness Month Recognition Resolution of
34 2023".

35 Sec. 2. The Council recognizes November 2023 as Lung Cancer Awareness Month in the
36 District of Columbia and salutes the work of Raymond Tu, M.D., and the Medical Society of the
37 District of Columbia for bringing greater awareness of lifesaving steps to prevent and treat lung
38 cancer.

39 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in
40 the District of Columbia Register.