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House Resolution 140

By: Representatives Anulewicz of the 42nd, Frye of the 118th, Carpenter of the 4th, and Dempsey of the 13th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia Cancer Control Consortium, HPV Cancer Free
- 2 GA, Cancer Pathways, the Northwest Georgia Regional Cancer Coalition, and the Susan
- 3 Jolley Awareness Program for their exceptional contributions to cervical cancer education
- 4 and awareness in Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 5 WHEREAS, January is designated by the United States Congress as Cervical Cancer
- 6 Awareness Month; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the Georgia Cancer Control Consortium, HPV Cancer Free GA, Cancer
- 8 Pathways, the Northwest Georgia Regional Cancer Coalition, and the Susan Jolley
- 9 Awareness Program are dedicated to HPV and cervical cancer awareness efforts in Georgia;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, in acknowledgment of their important work, Athens Kids Specialist, Creekview
- 12 Pediatrics, White's Pediatrics Dalton, Brenau University, and the Northwest Georgia
- 13 Regional Cancer Coalition are recognized as the 2021 HPV Champions; and

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14 WHEREAS, cervical cancer is the fourth most common cancer in women worldwide; each

- 15 year, more than 13,000 American women are diagnosed with invasive cervical cancer, and
- more than 4,200 women die from this disease annually; and
- 17 WHEREAS, one in five Georgian women lack access to regular screenings that can identify
- 18 cervical cancer in its early stages, and fewer than one in four Georgia adolescents have
- 19 received the recommended doses of the HPV cancer prevention vaccine; and
- 20 WHEREAS, more Black and Hispanic women get HPV-associated cervical cancer than
- 21 women of other races or ethnicities; and
- 22 WHEREAS, cervical cancer is one of the most preventable and treatable cancers due to the
- 23 availability of screening tests and the HPV vaccine; 91 percent of all cervical cancers can be
- 24 prevented by the HPV vaccine; and
- 25 WHEREAS, the efforts of the Georgia Cancer Control Consortium, HPV Cancer Free GA,
- 26 Cancer Pathways, the Northwest Georgia Regional Cancer Coalition, and the Susan Jolley
- 27 Awareness Program have increased public awareness of cervical cancer and educated the
- 28 public on HPV prevention and the HPV vaccine.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 30 the members of this body recognize and commend the Georgia Cancer Control Consortium,
- 31 HPV Cancer Free GA, Cancer Pathways, the Northwest Georgia Regional Cancer Coalition,
- 32 and the Susan Jolley Awareness Program for their exceptional efforts and commitment to
- 33 advancing cervical cancer awareness.

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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized 35 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to 36 members of the Georgia Cancer Control Consortium, HPV Cancer Free GA, Cancer 37 Pathways, the Northwest Georgia Regional Cancer Coalition, and the Susan Jolley

38 Awareness Program.