

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. RES. 481

Expressing support for the goals of Stomach Cancer Awareness Month.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 30, 2023

Mr. YOUNG (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. BRAUN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the goals of Stomach Cancer Awareness Month.

Whereas stomach cancer, also known as gastric cancer, is 1 of the most difficult cancers to detect in the early stages of the disease, which contributes to high mortality rates;

Whereas stomach cancer occurs when cancer cells develop in the lining of the stomach;

Whereas stomach cancer is the fifth most commonly diagnosed type of cancer worldwide;

Whereas, in 2023, an estimated—

(1) 26,500 cases of stomach cancer will be diagnosed in the United States; and

(2) 11,130 individuals in the United States will die from stomach cancer;

Whereas the estimated 5-year survival rate for stomach cancer is only 35.7 percent, and the 5-year survival rate is just 6.6 percent when diagnosed at a late, or distant, stage;

Whereas, in the United States, stomach cancer is more prevalent among racial and ethnic minorities;

Whereas the initial diagnosis of stomach cancer is often delayed because up to 80 percent of patients are asymptomatic during early stages;

Whereas increased awareness of, and education about, stomach cancer among patients and health care providers could improve timely recognition of stomach cancer symptoms;

Whereas more research into early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for stomach cancer is needed; and

Whereas November 2023 is an appropriate month to observe Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2           (1) supports the goals of Stomach Cancer  
3       Awareness Month;

4           (2) supports efforts to increase awareness of,  
5       and education about, stomach cancer among the  
6       general public of the United States;

7           (3) recognizes the need for additional research  
8       into early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for  
9       stomach cancer; and

1           (4) encourages States, territories, and localities  
2           of the United States to support the goals of Stom-  
3           ach Cancer Awareness Month.

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