

Senators Johnson, Young, Bieda, Nofs, Hansen, O'Brien, Booher, Gregory and Knezek offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 137.

A resolution recognizing February 4, 2016, as Cancer Prevention Day.

Whereas, Cancer is the leading cause of death around the world and has touched the lives of nearly everyone, either directly or indirectly; and

Whereas, This disease is the cause of nearly 1 out of every 4 deaths in the United States, and in Michigan, statistics show nearly 469 out of 100,000 citizens are diagnosed with cancer yearly; and

Whereas, More than 1,600 cancer-related deaths are expected nationwide per day, and in 2010, there were approximately 55,660 new cancer cases in the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, About 1.6 million new cancer cases were estimated to be diagnosed nationwide in 2013, with 580,350 Americans estimated to die of cancer; and

Whereas, It is understood that early detection and prevention of cancer leads to healthier individuals, less heartache, and more cost-effective health care; and

Whereas, The Michigan Legislature recognizes the efforts of the Less Cancer Campaign which works to raise awareness for the reduction of cancer risks; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize the devastating effect cancer has on families and seek to expand knowledge, encourage early detection, and work with our friends in the medical and scientific fields to put an end to this deadly disease; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the members of the Michigan congressional delegation, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the President and First Lady of the United States of America.