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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

SENATE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 1ST THROUGH SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2021 TO BE "OVARIAN
CANCER AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senator V. Susan Sosnowski

Date Introduced: May 28, 2021

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, Ovarian Cancer Awareness Week is an opportunity to underscore our
2 commitment to fighting ovarian cancer and to finding a cure for this deadly disease; and

3 WHEREAS, Ovarian cancer is the eighth most common cancer and the fifth leading
4 cause of cancer deaths in Rhode Island; and

5 WHEREAS, Seventy or more new cases are likely to be diagnosed in Rhode Island in
6 2021; and

7 WHEREAS, All people born with ovaries are at risk for ovarian cancer; and

8 WHEREAS, Currently, there is no simple and reliable way to test for ovarian cancer
9 without symptoms; and

10 WHEREAS, Advocacy, increased awareness, and genetic testing and counseling can
11 result in a meaningful reduction in the incidence of ovarian cancer; and

12 WHEREAS, Members of the Partnership to Reduce Cancer in Rhode Island, the Rhode
13 Island Ovarian Cancer Alliance and the Program in Women's Oncology at Women & Infants
14 Hospital, the Hospital Association of Rhode Island, and the Rhode Island Department of Health's
15 Comprehensive Cancer Control Program are working collaboratively to reduce the burden of
16 ovarian cancer in Rhode Island; now, therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby proclaims September
18 1st through September 7th, 2021, to be "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Week", encourages all the
19 State's residents to learn more about the prevention and early detection of ovarian cancer; and be

1 it further

2 RESOLVED, That this Senate hereby recognizes the dedicated medical professionals and
3 researchers whose tireless efforts help provide a brighter and healthier future for women; and be

4 it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
6 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to The Partnership to Reduce Cancer in Rhode
7 Island, the Rhode Island Ovarian Cancer Alliance, the Program in Women's Oncology at Women
8 & Infants Hospital, the Hospital Association of Rhode Island, and the Rhode Island Department
9 of Health's Comprehensive Cancer Control Program.

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