

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 CONCURRENT
3 RESOLUTION NO. 46

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of the Senate

13 and

14 Denney of the House

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17 A Concurrent Resolution recognizing March 2010 as
18 "National Colon Cancer Awareness Month" in the State
of Oklahoma; and directing distribution.

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20 WHEREAS, colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer
21 death among men and women in Oklahoma and the United States. Colon
22 cancer is the third most common cancer in Oklahoma. It is estimated
23 that in 2009 physicians diagnosed almost 147,000 new cases of colon
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1 cancer in the United States. The disease is suspected to have
2 killed almost 50,000 individuals in the United States in 2009; and

3 WHEREAS, if everyone 50 years of age or older would have regular
4 colon cancer screening tests, at least one-third of colon cancer
5 deaths could be prevented each year because of early detection and
6 treatment. Only half of people aged 50 and older, when screening is
7 recommended, have received the recommended tests; and

8 WHEREAS, regular screening tests detect colon polyps before they
9 become cancerous, saving lives. When detected early, colon cancer
10 is often preventable and can be successfully treated more than 90%
11 of the time; and

12 WHEREAS, state governments have a leadership role to play in
13 fighting colon cancer through public education and improved
14 awareness of early detection through screening.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION
16 OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
17 CONCURRING THEREIN:

18 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature recognizes March 2010 as
19 "National Colon Cancer Awareness Month" in the State of Oklahoma.

20 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma
21 Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

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