

Substitute for House Resolution No. 144.

A resolution to urge the President of the United States and Congress to support the National Breast Cancer Coalition's goal of knowing how to end breast cancer by 2020.

Whereas, Michigan Breast Cancer Coalition and breast cancer prevention advocates across the country are joining their collective voices in the call for an end to breast cancer. State level advocates in conjunction with the National Breast Cancer Coalition (NBCC) are undertaking the challenge referred to as Breast Cancer Deadline 2020; and

Whereas, Breast Cancer Deadline 2020, created by the NBCC has set the goal and developed a strategic plan to know how to end breast cancer by January 1, 2020. NBCC developed a blueprint that involves research, access and influence. This includes leveraging financial resources, ensuring individuals at risk have access to information and medical care; and harnessing the influence of leaders in government and industry; and

Whereas, Breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed non-skin cancer in women in the United States. Michigan counties have some of the highest incidences of breast cancer in the country. This disease affects women of all ages, claiming the lives of thousands each year; and

Whereas, The advancement of the NBCC strategic plan for eradicating this disease is imperative. This plan focuses on prevention, including how to prevent the often fatal metastasis of cancer once it is detected. All elements of the NBCC strategic plan are necessary to find an end to this disease; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the President and the Congress of the United States to support the National Breast Cancer Coalition's goal of knowing how to end breast cancer by 2020; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.