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Introduced by

REPRESENTATIVE BOB WOOLEY AND REPRESENTATIVE ANTONIO "MOE" MAESTAS

AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE NEW MEXICO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



A MEMORIAL

1 HONORING CANCER PATIENTS, SURVIVORS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND
2 REMEMBERING THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN LOST TO CANCER;
3 DECLARING JANUARY 26, 2015 "COACHES VERSUS CANCER AND SUITS
4 AND SNEAKERS DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
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7 WHEREAS, the coaches versus cancer program is a
8 nationwide collaboration between the American cancer society
9 and the national association of basketball coaches, leveraging
10 the personal experiences, community leadership and
11 professional excellence of coaches nationwide to increase
12 cancer awareness and promote healthy living through year-round
13 awareness efforts, fundraising activities and advocacy
14 programs; and

15 WHEREAS, the American cancer society saves lives and
16 creates a world with more birthdays by helping people stay
17 well, helping people get well, finding cures and fighting
18 back, in partnership with its nonpartisan advocacy affiliate,
19 the American cancer society cancer action network; and

20 WHEREAS, more than ten thousand New Mexicans were newly
21 diagnosed with cancer in 2014; and

22 WHEREAS, cancer patients face countless challenges
23 associated with their diagnoses, including physical,
24 emotional, financial and day-to-day challenges; and

25 WHEREAS, since 1993, coaches and their supporters have

1 raised more than eighty-seven million dollars (\$87,000,000)
2 for the American cancer society to help make the American
3 cancer society's services and programs available to those who
4 need them most; and

5 WHEREAS, the coaches versus cancer and suits and
6 sneakers awareness nationwide effort unites coaches across the
7 country to wear sneakers with their game attire while coaching
8 games during the week of January 19, 2015 through January 25,
9 2015 and encourages lawmakers and others to similarly wear
10 suits and sneakers to raise awareness about the fight against
11 cancer, to share the importance of nutrition and physical
12 activity in reducing one's cancer risk and to promote the
13 American cancer society as a place for help and support; and

14 WHEREAS, New Mexico coaches have joined together with
15 coaches nationwide, as well as with thousands of volunteers
16 for the American cancer society and the American cancer
17 society cancer action network, to advocate on behalf of cancer
18 patients, survivors and caregivers so that one day cancer will
19 be eliminated as a major public health issue;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
21 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that cancer
22 patients, cancer survivors and their families be honored and
23 that those people who have been lost to cancer be remembered;
24 and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that January 26, 2015 be declared

1 "Coaches Versus Cancer and Suits and Sneakers Day" in the
2 house of representatives; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
4 transmitted to the governor and to each member of the house of
5 representatives of the state of New Mexico.
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