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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
FEBRUARY 3, 2004

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of March 2004 as "National Colorectal
2 Cancer Awareness Month."

3 WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of
4 cancer deaths in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, It is estimated that in 2003, physicians diagnosed
6 147,500 new cases of colorectal cancer in the United States; and

7 WHEREAS, The disease is suspected to have killed 57,100
8 individuals in this country in 2003; and

9 WHEREAS, If everyone 50 years of age and older would have

1 regular colorectal cancer screening tests, more than one-third
2 of these deaths would be avoided because of early detection and
3 treatment; and

4 WHEREAS, Adopting a healthy diet at a young age can
5 significantly reduce the risk of developing colorectal cancer;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, March has also been designated as "National
8 Nutrition Awareness Month," and the prevention of colorectal
9 cancer is highly dependent on dietary factors; and

10 WHEREAS, Regular screenings can save large numbers of lives;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Education can help inform the public of methods of
13 prevention and symptoms of early detection; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
15 month of March 2004 as "National Colorectal Cancer Awareness
16 Month."