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A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the
2 American Cancer Society and congratulating it on its many
3 milestones in researching the disease.

4 WHEREAS, In 1913, 15 physicians and businessmen in New York
5 City, who were determined to raise awareness about cancer,
6 founded the American Society for the Control of Cancer, later
7 renamed the American Cancer Society (ACS); and

8 WHEREAS, In 1947, the first successful chemotherapy treatment
9 for cancer was discovered by ACS researcher Sidney Farber, M.D.;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, In 1971, the "War on Cancer," in which the ACS plays
12 a leading role, began upon the passage of the National Cancer
13 Act, considered the most dramatic piece of health legislation
14 ever enacted; and

15 WHEREAS, In 1976, the California Division of ACS hosted the
16 first Great American Smokeout® event to help nearly 1 million

1 smokers quit for the day; and

2 WHEREAS, In 1997, the ACS launched the first 24/7 cancer
3 information call center that now provides free information and
4 support to nearly 1 million people facing cancer each year; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2003, ACS research confirmed the link between
6 obesity and many types of cancer; and

7 WHEREAS, In 2012, the United States celebrated a 20% decline
8 in cancer death rates; and

9 WHEREAS, On May 22, 2013, the American Cancer Society will be
10 celebrating its 100th anniversary; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the Senate congratulate the American Cancer
12 Society for its commitment to research and public service on its
13 100th anniversary.