

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1769

**A RESOLUTION designating February, in 2016 and in each succeeding year,
as Kansas Cancer Awareness Month.**

WHEREAS, Cancer is one of the leading causes of death around the world and has touched the life of nearly everyone, either directly or indirectly; and

WHEREAS, The disease is the cause of nearly one out of every four deaths in the United States; and

WHEREAS, By the end of 2016, approximately 1,685,210 new cases are expected to be diagnosed across the United States; and

WHEREAS, An estimated one-third of all cancers are preventable. Increased efforts to reduce tobacco use, reduce obesity, improve diet and physical activity and promote safe ultraviolet radiation exposure are key in limiting preventable cancer risks; and

WHEREAS, Regular use of established screening tests can preclude the development of cancer through identification and result in the removal or treatment of premalignant abnormalities. Screening tests can also significantly improve survival rates by detecting cancer at an early stage when treatment is more effective: Now, therefore,

***Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we designate February, in 2016 and in each succeeding year, as Kansas Cancer Awareness Month; recognize efforts to raise awareness for the reduction of cancer risks; and encourage the expansion of knowledge, early detection and work in the medical and scientific fields, to put an end to this deadly disease.**

Senate Resolution No. 1769 was sponsored by Senators Lynn, Abrams, Arpke, Baumgardner, Bowers, Bruce, Denning, Donovan, Faust-Goudeau, Fitzgerald, Francisco, Haley, Hawk, Hensley, Holland, Holmes, Kelly, Kerschen, King, Knox, LaTurner, Longbine, Love, Masterson, McGinn, Melcher, O'Donnell, Olson, Ostmeyer, Petersen, Pettey, Pilcher-Cook, Powell, Pyle, V. Schmidt, Smith, Tyson, Wagle, Wilborn and Wolf.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.