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Expressing support for the goals of Stomach Cancer Awareness Month.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. Young (for himself, Mr. Cardin, and Mr. Braun) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on

## RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the goals of Stomach Cancer Awareness Month.

- Whereas stomach cancer, also known as gastric cancer, is 1 of the most difficult cancers to detect in the early stages of the disease, which contributes to high mortality rates;
- Whereas stomach cancer occurs when cancer cells develop in the lining of the stomach;
- Whereas stomach cancer is the fifth most commonly diagnosed type of cancer worldwide;
- Whereas, in 2023, an estimated—
  - (1) 26,500 cases of stomach cancer will be diagnosed in the United States; and
  - (2) 11,130 individuals in the United States will die from stomach cancer;

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- Whereas the estimated 5-year survival rate for stomach cancer is only 35.7 percent, and the 5-year survival rate is just 6.6 percent when diagnosed at a late, or distant, stage;
- Whereas, in the United States, stomach cancer is more prevalent among racial and ethnic minorities;
- Whereas the initial diagnosis of stomach cancer is often delayed because up to 80 percent of patients are asymptomatic during early stages;
- Whereas increased awareness of, and education about, stomach cancer among patients and health care providers could improve timely recognition of stomach cancer symptoms;
- Whereas more research into early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for stomach cancer is needed; and
- Whereas November 2023 is an appropriate month to observe Stomach Cancer Awareness Month: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—
  - 2 (1) supports the goals of Stomach Cancer
  - 3 Awareness Month;
  - 4 (2) supports efforts to increase awareness of,
- 5 and education about, stomach cancer among the
- 6 general public of the United States;
- 7 (3) recognizes the need for additional research
- 8 into early diagnosis, screening, and treatment for
- 9 stomach cancer; and

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(4) encourages States, territories, and localities
of the United States to support the goals of Stom ach Cancer Awareness Month.