

107TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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Expressing the sense of the Congress in support of
Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and for other
purposes.

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Whereas every 3 minutes a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer;

Whereas 182,000 new cases of breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in the United States in 2002;

Whereas breast cancer is the leading cause of death in women between the ages of 40 and 55;

Whereas 1 in 8 women who lives to age 85 will develop breast cancer in her lifetime;

Whereas when breast cancer is found early the survival rate is 96 percent;

Whereas mammograms and monthly breast self-examinations are the key components of early detection; and

Whereas Breast Cancer Awareness Month provides a special opportunity to provide education about the importance of monthly breast self-examinations and annual mammograms: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that—

3 (1) Breast Cancer Awareness Month provides a
4 special opportunity to provide education about the
5 importance of monthly breast self-examinations and
6 annual mammograms;

7 (2) it is appropriate to salute the more than
8 2,000,000 breast cancer survivors in the United
9 States and the efforts of victims, volunteers, and
10 professionals who combat breast cancer each day;

11 (3) national and community organizations
12 should be recognized and applauded for their work
13 in promoting awareness about breast cancer and for
14 providing information and treatment to its sufferers;
15 and

16 (4) organizations and health practitioners are
17 urged to use this opportunity to promote awareness,

1 monthly self-examinations, and annual mammo-
2 grams.

Passed the House of Representatives October 16,
2002.

Attest:

Clerk.