

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

SENATE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING MAY OF 2023, TO BE "BRAIN TUMOR AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Pearson, Paolino, Rogers, Acosta, F. Lombardi, DeLuca, Lombardo, Mack, Zurier, and Lawson

Date Introduced: May 11, 2023

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, An estimated 700,000 Americans are living with a primary brain tumor,
2 with approximately 94,390 people who will receive a primary brain tumor diagnosis in 2023, and
3 an estimated 18,200 people who will die from a malignant brain tumor in 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, Brain tumors are the leading cause of death from cancer in children under
5 the age of 14, the leading cause of death from cancer for teens under the age of 19, the second
6 leading cause of death from cancer in young adults ages 15 to 39, and the sixth most common
7 cause of cancer related death among people ages 40 and over; and

8 WHEREAS, The relative survival rate in the United States for all people following
9 diagnosis of a malignant brain tumor is only 35.7 percent; and

10 WHEREAS, Brain tumors can have lasting and life-altering physical, cognitive, and
11 psychological impacts on a person's life; and

12 WHEREAS, The treatment of brain tumors present significant challenges because of the
13 brain's uniquely complex and fragile nature; and

14 WHEREAS, Daunting obstacles remain to the development of new treatments, and no
15 strategies for the screening or early detection of brain tumors exist; and

16 WHEREAS, A need for greater public awareness of brain tumors exists, including
17 awareness of the difficulties associated with research on brain tumors and the opportunities for
18 advances in research and treatment; now, therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby recognizes the

1 importance of awareness and the urgent need for further research into brain tumors and hereby
2 proclaims May of 2023, to be "Brain Tumor Awareness Month" in the State of Rhode Island; and
3 be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Mr. Ram Subramanian, Chair, and Mr. Ralph
6 DeVito, President & CEO, of the American Brain Tumor Association.

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