

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 121

Senators Hollier, Chang, Polehanki, Santana and Wojno offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize May 2020 as Brain Tumor Awareness
2 Month.

3 Whereas, Brain tumors, specifically glioblastomas, have become
4 recognized in recent years as one of the deadliest cancers; and

5 Whereas, There have been an estimated 770 new diagnoses of
6 brain tumors in Michigan in 2020, and an estimated 600 Michigan
7 residents will die from a brain tumor in 2020; and

8 Whereas, Brain tumors can be deadly and impact the quality of
9 life. Brain cancer continues to be the leading cause of cancer
10 deaths among children and young adults; and

11 Whereas, In 2010, brain tumors were the highest per-patient

1 initial cost of care for any cancer group with an annualized cost
2 at well over \$100,000; and

3 Whereas, More than any other cancer, brain tumors can have
4 lasting and life-altering physical, cognitive, and psychological
5 impacts on a patient's life; and

6 Whereas, Despite the amount of brain tumors, and their
7 devastating prognosis, there have only been four approved drugs by
8 the Food and Drug Administration and one device to treat brain
9 tumors in the past thirty years; and

10 Whereas, Michigan is proud to be home to high level brain
11 cancer centers such as the Hermelin Brain Tumor Center at Henry
12 Ford Hospital and Rogel Cancer Center: University of Michigan; now,
13 therefore, be it

14 Resolved by the Senate, That we recognize May 2020 as Brain
15 Tumor Awareness Month; and be it further

16 Resolved, That Michigan has attained national recognition as a
17 leading center of excellence in the field of brain tumor treatment
18 and research as a result of the number of patients traveling to the
19 state for clinical trial participation, grant dollars locally used
20 to create jobs, and professionals specializing in brain tumors
21 across the state.