

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Inflammatory breast cancer is a rare but very  
2 aggressive type of breast cancer in which the cancer cells block the  
3 lymph vessels in the skin of the breast; and

4           WHEREAS, Individuals with IBC may experience such symptoms in  
5 their breasts as redness, swelling, shooting pain, persistent  
6 itching, and warmth, which may appear virtually overnight; and

7           WHEREAS, IBC cases risk being misdiagnosed because the  
8 symptoms are similar to those of the benign breast infection  
9 mastitis, and delay of appropriate care often means a Stage IV  
10 diagnosis; and

11           WHEREAS, Although IBC accounts for only one to five percent  
12 of all breast cancer cases, it has a faster doubling time than that  
13 of other breast cancers; moreover, the lack of expertise about IBC  
14 in the medical community and the cancer's resistance to treatment  
15 with standard chemotherapy drugs make the five-year median survival  
16 rate for IBC approximately 40 percent; and

17           WHEREAS, IBC usually grows in nests or sheets without the  
18 usual lump women are told to look for, and because there is no lump,  
19 IBC is rarely detected by mammograms or ultrasounds; and

20           WHEREAS, The treatment for IBC differs from other breast  
21 cancer treatments, and finding a physician with IBC-specific  
22 experience is essential; and

23           WHEREAS, Increasing public understanding of inflammatory  
24 breast cancer is the first step toward fighting this devastating

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1 disease, and participating in Inflammatory Breast Cancer Awareness  
2 Month is one effective way to support that effort; now, therefore,  
3 be it

4           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
5 Legislature hereby recognize October 2011 as Inflammatory Breast  
6 Cancer Awareness Month and encourage all Texans to learn more about  
7 IBC.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1740 was adopted by the House on May 4, 2011, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House