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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
3 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
4 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the Special Commission on
5 Gynecologic Cancers is created; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That membership of the Commission shall be as
7 follows:

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(1) A representative of the Illinois Comprehensive
9 Cancer Control Program, appointed by the Director of the
10 Illinois Department of Public Health;

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(2) The Director of the Illinois Department of
12 Insurance, or his or her designee; and

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(3) 14 members who shall be appointed as follows:

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(a) Three members appointed by the Speaker of the
15 House of Representatives, one of whom shall be a survivor of
16 ovarian cancer, one of whom shall be a survivor of cervical,
17 vaginal, vulvar, or uterine cancer, and one of whom shall be a
18 medical specialist in gynecological cancers;

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(b) Three members appointed by the Senate
20 President, one of whom shall be a survivor of ovarian cancer,
21 one of whom shall be a survivor of cervical, vaginal, vulvar,
22 or uterine cancer, and one of whom shall be a medical
23 specialist in gynecological cancers; and

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(c) Eight members appointed by the Governor, one of

1 whom shall be a caregiver of a woman diagnosed with a
2 gynecologic cancer, one of whom shall be a medical specialist
3 in gynecological cancers, one of whom shall be an individual
4 with expertise in community based health care and issues
5 affecting underserved and vulnerable populations, two of whom
6 shall be individuals representing gynecologic cancer awareness
7 and support groups in the State, one of whom shall be a
8 researcher specializing in gynecologic cancers, and two of whom
9 shall be members of the public with demonstrated expertise in
10 issues relating to the work of the commission; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That members of the Commission shall serve
13 without compensation or reimbursement from the commission;
14 members shall select a Chair from among themselves and the
15 Chair shall set the meeting schedule; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Public Health
17 shall provide administrative support; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the Commission is charged with the study of
19 the following:

20 (1) Establishing a mechanism to ascertain the
21 prevalence of gynecologic cancers in the State and, to the
22 extent possible, to collect statistics relative to the timing
23 of diagnosis and risk factors associated with gynecologic

1 cancers;

2 (2) Determining how to best effectuate early diagnosis
3 and treatment for gynecologic cancer patients;

4 (3) Determining best practices for closing disparities
5 in outcomes for gynecologic cancer patients and innovative
6 approaches to reaching underserved and vulnerable populations;

7 (4) Determining any unmet needs of persons with
8 gynecologic cancers and those of their families; and

9 (5) Providing recommendations for additional
10 legislation, support programs, and resources to meet the unmet
11 needs of persons with gynecologic cancers and their families;
12 and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Commission shall provide its final
14 report to the Illinois General Assembly no later than December
15 31, 2020, and upon the filing of its report, is dissolved; and
16 be it further

17 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
18 delivered to the Director of the Illinois Department of Public
19 Health, the Director of the Illinois Department of Insurance,
20 the Speaker of the House, the President of the Senate, and the
21 Governor.