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2 86th General Assembly
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5 By: Representatives Shelby, Webb

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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 PROCLAIMING ORAL AND HEAD AND NECK CANCER
10 AWARENESS DAY.

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13 **Subtitle**

14 PROCLAIMING ORAL AND HEAD AND NECK
15 CANCER AWARENESS DAY.

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18 WHEREAS, over fifty thousand (50,000) American citizens are diagnosed
19 every year with cancer of the head and neck region; and

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21 WHEREAS, less than sixty percent (60%) of all oral and head and neck
22 cancer patients will live five (5) years following diagnosis; and

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24 WHEREAS, over eighty-five percent (85%) of all oral and head and neck
25 cancers could have been prevented; and a small percentage of American
26 citizens understand the diseases, causes, treatments, or prevention; and

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28 WHEREAS, a significant number of individuals treated for these cancers
29 encounter disability due to breathing, swallowing, speaking, physical, or
30 visual difficulties; and

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32 WHEREAS, increased awareness of these cancers could result in earlier
33 diagnoses, lower functional disabilities, and higher survival rates,

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35 NOW THEREFORE,

36 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL



1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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THAT the House of Representatives recognizes the prevalence of these types of cancers, encourages Arkansans to participate in screenings for oral and head and neck cancer, and *proclaims April 20, 2007, Oral and Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Day.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon adoption of this resolution, an appropriate copy shall be provided to the Arkansas Chapter of the American Cancer Society by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

/s/ Shelby, et al