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8 RECOGNIZING OVARIAN AND GYNECOLOGIC CANCER AWARENESS
9 DAY.

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11 WHEREAS, ovarian and gynecologic cancers are among
12 the leading cancer killers of women in the United States, and
13 more than 98,000 women will be diagnosed, and more than 30,000
14 women will die from these diseases this year; and

15 WHEREAS, the good health and well-being of women in
16 our state are enhanced by increased awareness of ovarian and
17 gynecologic cancers and their symptoms and treatments; and

18 WHEREAS, it is critical for women, physicians, and
19 all health care providers to recognize the risk factors and
20 symptoms of ovarian and gynecologic cancers and to remember
21 the importance of early detection in preventing and treating
22 these diseases; and

23 WHEREAS, continued progress in the battle against
24 ovarian and gynecologic cancers requires increased awareness
25 and education; all educators, service providers, researchers,
26 and advocacy groups are urged to work together to inform more

1 women about ovarian and gynecologic cancers and to educate
2 them about screening services; and

3 WHEREAS, it is crucial that all women in the State
4 of Alabama take an active role in learning the symptoms and
5 risk factors associated with ovarian and gynecologic cancers,
6 developing healthy habits, and undergoing regular medical
7 examinations so that any occurrence of these diseases may be
8 detected in their early and treatable stages; and

9 WHEREAS, groundbreaking research into the causes,
10 detection, and treatment of ovarian and gynecologic cancers is
11 currently being performed at medical centers located in
12 Alabama; and

13 WHEREAS, we encourage all citizens to reflect upon
14 the memory of those lost to these diseases, the bravery of
15 those currently battling these diagnoses, and the need for
16 increased awareness, screening, and research so that the women
17 of Alabama might be spared from them in the future, and
18 encourage all citizens to work together to raise awareness of
19 ovarian and gynecologic cancers, and do commend this
20 observance to all our citizens; now therefore,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
22 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That in recognition and observance
23 of Ovarian and Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Day on March 17,
24 2016, we encourage all Alabama citizens to wear teal, the
25 designated awareness color for ovarian and gynecologic
26 cancers.