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4 RFD: Rules
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RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS SKIN CANCER
AWARENESS MONTH.

WHEREAS, according to the American Academy of
Dermatology, 3 million American citizens are diagnosed with
skin cancer each year; and

WHEREAS, according to the Skin Cancer Foundation,
skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States and
worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the Melanoma Research Foundation reports
that Melanoma diagnoses are increasing at epidemic rates and
predicted that in 2021 over 207,000 Americans will be
diagnosed with the deadliest form of skin cancer; and

WHEREAS, melanoma is not just a cancer of the skin,
but can develop anywhere on the body, and it does not
discriminate by age, race, or gender; and

WHEREAS, melanoma and other skin cancers are thought
to be 90 percent caused by exposure to ultraviolet light and
sunlight; just one blistering sunburn at a young age can
double the chances of developing melanoma later in life; and

1 WHEREAS, awareness, education, early detection, and
2 prevention of skin cancer can save lives; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
4 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we recognize the month of
5 March 2022 as Skin Cancer Awareness Month in the State of
6 Alabama.