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119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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Supporting the designation of “Brain and Spine Metastasis Awareness Month”.

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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Mrs. FOUSHEE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

Supporting the designation of “Brain and Spine Metastasis  
Awareness Month”.

Whereas brain and spine metastasis can occur with almost  
any type of cancer;

Whereas improved cancer treatments are leading to longer  
patient survival, but brain and spine metastasis rates are  
increasing;

Whereas specific cancers commonly spread to the brain and  
spine, such as melanoma, lung, breast, colon, and pros-  
tate cancers;

Whereas brain metastases are a leading cause of morbidity  
and mortality in patients with cancer;

Whereas brain metastases are five times more common than primary brain tumors;

Whereas advanced treatment options are available to improve patient outcomes;

Whereas disparities in cancer care exist, and awareness is crucial to address these disparities;

Whereas different treatments are needed for brain and spine metastasis than for other cancers;

Whereas there are publicly available resources where patients and families can find information on brain and spine metastasis; and

Whereas new and novel therapies are offering hope, but more support and funding for clinical trials and specialized centers are necessary: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2           (1) supports the designation of “Brain and  
3       Spine Metastasis Awareness Month”;

4           (2) recognizes and affirms the commitment by  
5       the House of Representatives to increasing aware-  
6       ness of treatment options for people with cancer that  
7       has spread to the brain or spine;

8           (3) recognizes and affirms the dedication of the  
9       House of Representatives to increasing education for  
10      brain and spine metastasis so individuals can better  
11      understand their cancer or the cancer of a loved one;  
12      and

1           (4) calls on the Secretary of Health and  
2       Human Services to—

3           (A) increase education and awareness  
4       about treatment options available for patients  
5       with brain and spine metastases, including ad-  
6       vances and improvements in medical therapies,  
7       such as targeted therapies or immunotherapies;

8           (B) support resources to establish and sup-  
9       port centers for brain and spine metastasis;

10          (C) provide resources to increase access to  
11       dedicated clinical trials for patients with brain  
12       or spine metastases; and

13          (D) invest in research specifically into the  
14       biology and treatment of brain and spine metas-  
15       tasis, particularly across cancers.