

Legislation Text

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Proposed Res. No. 463-A

Resolution calling upon the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, S.1485/A.1683, which would authorize the issuance of "Cure Childhood Cancer" license plates and would allocate funds generated to support childhood cancer research

By Council Member Gentile (by request of the Brooklyn Borough President)

Whereas, It is estimated that almost 16,000 American children under the age of 20 will be diagnosed with cancer this year and almost 2,000 will die of cancer; and

Whereas, Cancer remains the leading cause of disease-related death for children; and

Whereas, Awareness should be increased of the critical medical research which has already decreased mortality rates for many types of childhood cancer by more than 50 percent over the past 30 years; and

Whereas, The New York State Department of Motor Vehicles allows motorists to order a variety of "picture plates" for their vehicles which visibly recognize various causes including diabetes, autism, and multiple sclerosis research and education; and

Whereas, S.1485, sponsored by Senator Kenneth P. LaValle, and A.1683, sponsored by Assembly Member Steve Englebright, would authorize the issuance of "Cure Childhood Cancer" license plates and would create a Cure Childhood Cancer Trust Fund to support childhood cancer research and education; and Whereas, The legislation would allocate the amount of annual service charges generated by the issuance of "Cure Childhood Cancer" license plates in excess of \$6,000 to the Cure Childhood Cancer Trust Fund; and Whereas, Enacting this legislation would allow New Yorkers to visibly express their solidarity with all those affected by childhood cancer and with those working to end it, while also directing resources toward the search for a cure; now, therefore, be it

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