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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of September 2006 as "Prostate Cancer  
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Prostate cancer is the most common type of cancer  
4 diagnosed among men in this Commonwealth, afflicting 9,882 men  
5 in 2003, and is the second leading cause of cancer death among  
6 men in this Commonwealth, causing 1,584 deaths in 2003; and

7 WHEREAS, Department of Health reports show that each year  
8 from 1993 through 2003, on average, there were 10,104 new  
9 prostate cancer cases diagnosed among men in this Commonwealth  
10 and 1,765 men in this Commonwealth died from the disease; and

11 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society estimates that 234,460  
12 men in the United States will be diagnosed with prostate cancer  
13 during 2006 and 27,350 men will die of prostate cancer, the  
14 second leading cause of cancer death among men in the United  
15 States; and

16 WHEREAS, The risk of developing prostate cancer increases as

1 a man ages, with more than 65% of all prostate cancers being  
2 diagnosed in men over 65 years of age; and

3 WHEREAS, Prostate cancer is twice as common among African-  
4 American men; and

5 WHEREAS, Early detection and screening are vital to combating  
6 prostate cancer, especially among men over 50 years of age,  
7 African-American men and men with a family history of prostate  
8 cancer; and

9 WHEREAS, With early detection, the five-year relative  
10 survival rate for men with localized prostate cancer is 100%;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Greater public awareness and education about  
13 prostate cancer are necessary to help protect the health and  
14 welfare of men; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of September  
16 2006 as "Prostate Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania and  
17 encourage all men to educate themselves about the risk of  
18 prostate cancer.