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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
SEPTEMBER 23, 1997

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring the week of October 5 through 11, 1997, as "Mental  
2 Illness Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Serious mental illnesses are biological brain  
4 disorders that are definable and treatable; and

5 WHEREAS, More than one million people throughout this  
6 Commonwealth are affected by a form of mental illness, such as  
7 schizophrenia, manic depression, clinical depression, panic  
8 disorder and obsessive compulsive disorder; and

9 WHEREAS, With treatment, success rates for severe and  
10 persistent mental illnesses range between 60% and 80% better

1 than the treatment success rates for many physiological  
2 illnesses; and

3 WHEREAS, Many individuals with mental illness are capable of  
4 working, attending college and making important contributions to  
5 their communities and this Commonwealth; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare the week  
7 of October 5 through 11, 1997, as "Mental Illness Awareness  
8 Week" in Pennsylvania.