

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 849 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY McILHINNEY, WATSON, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, CRUZ, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, FICHTER, FLAHERTY, FLICK, FORCIER, FREEMAN, GEORGE, GRUCELA, HARHART, HERSHEY, LEDERER, MAJOR, McGEEHAN, RAMALEY, RAPP, READSHAW, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SOLOBAY, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD, SEPTEMBER 25, 2006

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 25, 2006

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 3, 2006, as "Patient Advocacy Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Access to health care is a basic human need and a
4 shared societal responsibility; and

5 WHEREAS, One patient without health care access or financial
6 resources is one patient too many; and

7 WHEREAS, Patients must be empowered to obtain relevant
8 clinical information as well as timely and sustained care and
9 intervention within the medical care system; and

10 WHEREAS, Patients must be able to efficiently and effectively
11 reach well-informed, independent decisions within the medical
12 care system; and

13 WHEREAS, Patients must receive appropriate support within the
14 medical care system; and

15 WHEREAS, The challenging complexity of the medical care

1 system must not deter or distract us from the urgency of
2 improving access; and

3 WHEREAS, We can surmount this challenge through comprehensive
4 action of government, private industry, health care providers
5 and citizens; and

6 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives affirms its commitment
7 to progressive, fiscally sound, fair and effective health care
8 for every resident of this Commonwealth; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
10 3, 2006, as "Patient Advocacy Day" in Pennsylvania.