## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 50 Session of 2007

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, FEBRUARY 1, 2007

## A RESOLUTION

1 2 3	Recognizing February 2, 2007, as "Wear Red Day for Women" in Pennsylvania and encouraging all citizens to wear red to raise women's awareness of cardiovascular disease.
4	WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases are the nation's leading
5	cause of death, and stroke is the third leading cause of death;
6	and
7	WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases claim the lives of more than
8	460,000 females in the United States each year, about one death
9	per minute; and
10	WHEREAS, Each year 53% of all cardiovascular disease deaths
11	occur in women, as compared to 47% in men, and about 32,800 more
12	women than men die from a stroke; and
13	WHEREAS, In 2007 the direct and indirect costs of
14	cardiovascular diseases and stroke in the United States is
15	estimated at \$431.8 billion; and

WHEREAS, More women die of cardiovascular disease than the
next five leading causes of death combined, including all
cancers; and

4 WHEREAS, Only 13% of women consider cardiovascular disease5 their greatest health risk; and

6 WHEREAS, February is designated as "American Heart Month"; 7 and

8 WHEREAS, Go Red For Women is the American Heart Association's 9 national call to increase awareness about heart disease, the 10 leading cause of death for women, and to inspire women to take 11 charge of their heart health; and

12 WHEREAS, All women should learn their own personal risk for 13 heart disease, using tools such as the American Heart 14 Association's Go Red For Women Heart CheckUp and by talking to

15 their health care providers; therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize 17 February 2, 2007, as "Wear Red Day for Women" in Pennsylvania 18 and urge all citizens to show their support for women and the 19 fight against heart disease by wearing red, which will increase 20 awareness and empower women to reduce their risk for 21 cardiovascular disease, saving thousands of lives each year.

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