## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating October 21, 2016, as "Biomedical Research Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The biomedical research community in the United
- 4 States and especially in this Commonwealth is recognized as a
- 5 world leader in discoveries which promote health and the
- 6 treatment of disease; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Virtually every major medical advancement in the
- 8 past century has depended upon biomedical research; and
- 9 WHEREAS, These advances include the prevention and treatment
- 10 of cancer, discoveries of vaccines for the prevention of
- 11 measles, mumps, polio and hepatitis and medications to treat
- 12 high blood pressure, arthritis and mental illness among many
- 13 others; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has helped increase the life
- 15 span of people in the United States through the development of

- 1 vaccines, antibiotics and anti-infective drugs; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has contributed to the
- 3 elimination of many epidemic diseases and has helped prevent
- 4 numerous childhood killers in the United States; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Biomedical researchers are working diligently toward
- 6 cures for Alzheimer's disease, arthritis, acquired immune
- 7 deficiency syndrome, cancer, diabetes, epilepsy, heart and lung
- 8 diseases, mental illnesses, multiple sclerosis and countless
- 9 other diseases affecting millions of people in the United
- 10 States; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has contributed to the health
- 12 and well-being of animals through vaccines and has helped the
- 13 prospects of endangered species by reducing diseases and
- 14 promoting reproduction; and
- WHEREAS, Biomedical research offers the best hope for new
- 16 breakthroughs in disease detection and treatment; and
- 17 WHEREAS, The biomedical research community in this
- 18 Commonwealth and throughout the United States is recognized as
- 19 the world leader in discovering and developing new knowledge and
- 20 ideas that promote better health and the treatment of disease;
- 21 therefore be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
- 23 21, 2016, as "Biomedical Research Day" in Pennsylvania in
- 24 recognition of the biomedical research community and its service
- 25 to this Commonwealth.