
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, OCTOBER 25, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of October 2016 as "National Physical
2 Therapy Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, What we now celebrate as "National Physical Therapy
4 Month" began in 1981 as "National Physical Therapy Week" and was
5 celebrated in June; and

6 WHEREAS, In 1992, "National Physical Therapy Week" became
7 "National Physical Therapy Month"; and

8 WHEREAS, "National Physical Therapy Month" has grown in
9 popularity over the years, and it is now a recognized
10 celebration in the National Health Observances Calendar; and

11 WHEREAS, "National Physical Therapy Month" provides an
12 opportunity for physical therapists and physical therapist
13 assistants nationwide to educate their communities about who
14 physical therapists are and what they can do; and

15 WHEREAS, Physical therapists are experts in restoring and
16 improving the motion that is so crucial to a patient's well-

1 being; and

2 WHEREAS, Physical therapists apply their intensive education
3 and clinical experience to provide the following services for
4 their patients:

5 (1) improve mobility and restore motion in patients, in
6 many cases without surgery or prescription drugs; and

7 (2) teach patients how to prevent or manage their health
8 condition so that they will achieve an improved quality of
9 life;

10 and

11 WHEREAS, Physical therapists can help baby boomers address
12 the physical challenges of aging, including loss of flexibility,
13 strength and balance; and

14 WHEREAS, During the month of October, many physical
15 therapists will be conducting open houses, fitness walks,
16 seminars and other special events; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of October 2016
18 as "National Physical Therapy Month" in Pennsylvania.