## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of September 2017 as "Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Polycystic ovarian syndrome is a hormonal disorder
- 4 that affects approximately 5 million women in the United States;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, One of the leading causes of infertility, polycystic
- 7 ovarian syndrome affects approximately 1 in 10 women of child-
- 8 bearing age; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Polycystic ovarian syndrome is defined as the
- 10 presence of cysts on the ovaries combined with the absence of
- 11 ovulation; and
- 12 WHEREAS, While the cause of polycystic ovarian syndrome is
- 13 unknown, most experts believe that several factors, including
- 14 genetics, could play a role; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Polycystic ovarian syndrome can begin in the teenage

- 1 years with symptoms such as irregular or no menstrual periods,
- 2 acne, obesity, weight gain, inability to lose weight, breathing
- 3 problems while sleeping, depression, oily skin, infertility,
- 4 skin discolorations, high cholesterol levels, elevated blood
- 5 pressure, excess or abnormal hair growth and distribution, pain
- 6 in the lower abdomen and pelvis, multiple ovarian cysts and skin
- 7 tags; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Women with polycystic ovarian syndrome have a
- 9 greater chance of developing several serious health conditions,
- 10 including life-threatening diseases such as diabetes and heart
- 11 disease; and
- 12 WHEREAS, There is no known cure for polycystic ovarian
- 13 syndrome; and
- 14 WHEREAS, By changing lifestyle habits and making small
- 15 changes to diet and exercise, women afflicted with the disease
- 16 can not only feel better, but they can also improve their
- 17 chances of conception; therefore be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 19 month of September 2017 as "Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome
- 20 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.