
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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HOWARD, SCHLEGEL CULVER, WARREN, NEILSON, KINSEY, YOUNGBLOOD
AND ROEBUCK, FEBRUARY 24, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, FEBRUARY 24, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of April 2020 as "Limb Loss Awareness
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, More than 2.1 million Americans of all ages, races
4 and genders have had amputations, and another 28 million
5 Americans are at risk for amputation; and

6 WHEREAS, Each day, more than 500 Americans lose a limb; and

7 WHEREAS, Limb loss is a lifetime condition, and the general
8 public is largely unaware of the many challenges faced by the
9 amputee community; and

10 WHEREAS, Limb loss can result in emotional, physical and
11 financial stress; and

12 WHEREAS, The leading causes of amputation are vascular
13 disease, trauma and cancer; and

14 WHEREAS, Prosthetic devices can be quite costly and often
15 need to be replaced every few years; and

16 WHEREAS, Individuals afflicted with limb loss must overcome

1 many challenges; and

2 WHEREAS, The physical effects of limb loss may be the most
3 visible, but many times the emotional difficulties surpass the
4 physical impediments; therefore be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
6 month of April 2020 as "Limb Loss Awareness Month" in
7 Pennsylvania; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
9 Pennsylvanians to recognize the importance of this month,
10 celebrate individuals with limb loss who are living full and
11 productive lives, express gratitude to caregivers who are a
12 source of support and motivation and salute combat amputees who
13 have lost their limbs in service to our country.