
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of October 2021 as "National Sensory
2 Processing Disorder Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, October is "National Sensory Processing Disorder
4 Awareness Month" to raise awareness of sensory processing
5 disorders; and

6 WHEREAS, This year marks the 32nd anniversary of the Sensory
7 Processing Disorder Foundation, which works to educate and raise
8 awareness of sensory processing disorder; and

9 WHEREAS, A sensory processing disorder influences the way the
10 brain receives, organizes and responds to sensory signals,
11 causing abnormal reactions in affected individuals; and

12 WHEREAS, Disorganized sensory signals can lead to problems
13 with daily functioning, family relationships, social situations,
14 behavior, regulation of emotions, learning or self-esteem; and

15 WHEREAS, The disorder can manifest as an individual being
16 uncoordinated, difficult to engage in conversation or play,
17 extremely upset from being wet or hearing loud noises or having

1 an extremely high or low pain tolerance; and

2 WHEREAS, Approximately 1 in 20 individuals have a sensory
3 processing disorder, and individuals who are gifted, have
4 attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, autism or fragile X
5 syndrome are most at risk; and

6 WHEREAS, Often, sensory processing disorder goes undiagnosed
7 or misdiagnosed; and

8 WHEREAS, "National Sensory Processing Disorder Awareness
9 Month" is designed to bring parents, educators, therapists and
10 other caregivers together to raise awareness of sensory
11 processing and how it affects children and adults on a daily
12 basis; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of October
14 2021, as "National Sensory Processing Disorder Awareness Month"
15 in Pennsylvania.