## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 1999

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of May 1999 as "Stroke Prevention Month"
  in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the
- 4 United States and a major cause of adult disability; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Strokes occur suddenly, resulting from several
- 6 factors: a blood clot that blocks circulation, a buildup of
- 7 fatty deposits that narrow arteries or a rupture of a blood
- 8 vessel in the brain; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Smoking, diabetes and stress may contribute to
- 10 strokes; and strokes can often be avoided by minimizing these
- 11 risk factors; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Stroke symptoms include numbness, weakness, tingling
- 2 in extremities or the side of the face, momentary loss of sight
- 3 in one or both eyes or difficulty speaking; and
- 4 WHEREAS, These symptoms demand immediate medical attention;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Stroke is a devastating threat to personal well-
- 7 being, and all citizens must take the time to study and discuss
- 8 factors that contribute to this disabling and often deadly
- 9 affliction; therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May
- 11 1999 as "Stroke Prevention Month" in Pennsylvania and encourage
- 12 all citizens to become familiar with stroke prevention and the
- 13 minimization and avoidance of risk factors associated with
- 14 strokes.