

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 707 Session of
2012

INTRODUCED BY ADOLPH, BAKER, BEAR, CALTAGIRONE, CONKLIN, DALEY,
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SONNEY, STEVENSON, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD,
HARHAI, CLYMER, MILLARD AND D. COSTA, MAY 2, 2012

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MAY 2,
2012

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 2012 as "Epilepsy Awareness Month" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Epilepsy affects more than 200,000 Pennsylvanians
4 and their families; and

5 WHEREAS, One in 26 people will develop epilepsy in his or her
6 lifetime; and

7 WHEREAS, Epilepsy is a neurological condition sometimes
8 referred to as a seizure disorder and is characterized by
9 recurring seizures; and

10 WHEREAS, Nearly 50,000 Americans die each year from seizures
11 and related causes, including sudden unexplained death in
12 epilepsy; and

13 WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation in Pennsylvania leads the
14 fight to stop seizures, find a cure and overcome the challenges

1 created by epilepsy; and

2 WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation Western/Central Pennsylvania
3 first received its charter in May 1972; and

4 WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation in Pennsylvania is dedicated
5 to ensuring that all people with seizures and epilepsy are able
6 to participate in all of life's experiences; and

7 WHEREAS, The prevention and control of epilepsy can be
8 achieved through community education and awareness programs; and

9 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has supported the creation and
10 expansion of epilepsy support services and awareness programs
11 through State appropriations; and

12 WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation in Pennsylvania has been
13 serving the needs of Pennsylvanians who live with seizures, in
14 partnership with the Department of Health since 1994; and

15 WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation Western/Central Pennsylvania
16 is celebrating its 40th anniversary and 40 years of service to
17 the community; therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May
19 2012 as "Epilepsy Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.