THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 26, 2006

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the month of November 2006 as "Pancreatic Cancer
- 2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The good health and well-being of the residents of
- 4 this Commonwealth are enhanced as a direct result of efforts to
- 5 spread awareness about pancreatic cancer and increase research
- 6 into finding better methods of early detection, causes and
- 7 effective treatments for this disease; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania, proud home to many fine medical
- 9 institutions, is pleased to join in recognizing and applauding
- 10 the valuable role of families and advocates for persons with

- 1 pancreatic cancer in helping our medical community advance the
- 2 fight against this disease; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Pancreatic cancer is the fourth ranked cause of
- 4 cancer death among men and women in the United States; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society estimates that 33,700
- 6 Americans will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer during 2006;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, An estimated 32,300 Americans will die of pancreatic
- 9 cancer in 2006; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Only 4% of pancreatic cancer patients survive five
- 11 years after diagnosis; and
- 12 WHEREAS, There is no cure or early detection test for
- 13 pancreatic cancer; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The average life expectancy after diagnosis is three
- 15 to six months; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Despite the especially lethal nature of pancreatic
- 17 cancer, the Federal Government invests less money in researching
- 18 pancreatic cancer than in all leading cancers; and
- 19 WHEREAS, It is essential that we work together to support
- 20 efforts to find ways to attack this deadly disease; therefore be
- 21 it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 23 month of November 2006 as "Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month" in
- 24 Pennsylvania.