
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 134 Session of
1997

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J. TAYLOR, APRIL 15, 1997

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APRIL 15, 1997

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring May 12, 1997, as "Osteoporosis Prevention and
2 Treatment Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Osteoporosis is a bone disease and a public health
4 problem; and

5 WHEREAS, Osteoporosis poses a threat to the quality of life
6 of many Pennsylvanians; and

7 WHEREAS, The annual direct and indirect cost of osteoporosis
8 to our health care system is estimated to rise to between \$60
9 billion and \$80 billion by the year 2020; and

10 WHEREAS, One in two women and one in five men will suffer an
11 osteoporotic fracture in their lifetime; and

12 WHEREAS, Osteoporosis affects more than 25 million Americans
13 annually, 80% of them women; and

1 WHEREAS, Osteoporosis costs the nation over \$10 billion
2 annually, more than congenital heart failure and asthma;
3 therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare May 12,
5 1997, as "Osteoporosis Prevention and Treatment Awareness Day"
6 in Pennsylvania in an effort to benefit the health of the
7 citizens of this Commonwealth.