THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2000

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 11, 2000

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of November 2000 as "Pancreatic Cancer 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 families and advocates of pancreatic cancer
- 11 victims play in helping our medical community to advance the

- 1 fight against this disease; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Pancreatic cancer is the fourth ranked cause of
- 3 cancer death among men and women in the United States; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Since 1950 the annual incidence of pancreatic cancer
- 5 in the United States has increased from 5.3 to 9.2 cases per
- 6 100,000 people; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The mortality rate for pancreatic cancer is the
- 8 highest of any cancer; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Nine out of every ten pancreatic cancer patients
- 10 die; and
- 11 WHEREAS, There is no cure or early detection test for
- 12 pancreatic cancer; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The average life expectancy after diagnosis is three
- 14 to six months; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Despite the especially lethal nature of pancreatic
- 16 cancer, the Federal Government invests less money in researching
- 17 pancreatic cancer than in all leading cancers; and
- 18 WHEREAS, It is essential that we work together to support
- 19 efforts to find ways to attack this deadly disease; therefore be
- 20 it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 22 month of November 2000 as "Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month" in
- 23 Pennsylvania.