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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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MARCH 1, 2005

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MARCH 1, 2005

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 30, 2005, as "Helen Phillips CASUAL Day for  
2 Colon Cancer Awareness" in northeastern Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of  
4 cancer deaths in this Commonwealth, killing nearly 3,000  
5 citizens each year; and

6 WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer is the most commonly diagnosed  
7 cancer in the northeastern Pennsylvania counties of Lackawanna,  
8 Luzerne, Wyoming, Susquehanna, Pike and Wayne, with 700 cases  
9 diagnosed and 300 deaths each year; and

10 WHEREAS, The Northeast Regional Cancer Institute has  
11 developed and implemented a targeted colorectal cancer awareness  
12 program promoting lifesaving cancer screening and lifestyle  
13 changes, including outreach and education; and

1       WHEREAS, Helen Phillips, a leading community volunteer from  
2 northeastern Pennsylvania, died of colorectal cancer; and

3       WHEREAS, Family members and community leaders throughout  
4 northeastern Pennsylvania have come together to honor Helen  
5 Phillips and promote colorectal cancer awareness through a  
6 program known as CASUAL - Colorectal Cancer Awareness Saves  
7 Unlimited Adult Lives; and

8       WHEREAS, March has been set aside as "National Colorectal  
9 Cancer Awareness Month," and the last Wednesday of the monthlong  
10 observance is recognized as "Helen Phillips CASUAL Day for Colon  
11 Cancer Awareness"; therefore be it

12       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate March  
13 30, 2005, as "Helen Phillips CASUAL Day for Colon Cancer  
14 Awareness" in northeastern Pennsylvania.