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AND ORIE, MARCH 10, 2009

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 10, 2009, as the third annual "National Women  
2 and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, HIV/AIDS is a devastating disease having the  
4 greatest impact on women and girls; and

5 WHEREAS, Twenty-six percent of all new AIDS cases are  
6 attributed to women who have become infected with HIV through  
7 heterosexual contact and drug use; and

8 WHEREAS, Minority women represent a disproportionate number  
9 of those affected by HIV/AIDS, in particular African-American  
10 women between 25 and 34 years of age; and

11 WHEREAS, According to the Office of Women's Health, United  
12 States Department of Health and Human Services, community events  
13 and communication raise awareness of the increasing impact of  
14 HIV/AIDS on the lives of women and girls; and

15 WHEREAS, "National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day"  
16 promotes discussion and provides facts on how women and girls  
17 can prevent infection, as well as information on how to live

1 with the disease; therefore be it

2 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate March 10, 2009, as

3 "National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day" in

4 Pennsylvania and urge all citizens to strongly support this day

5 and participate in events planned to commemorate the occasion.