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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

Commending the Pennsylvania Academy of Audiology for its efforts to educate Pennsylvanians about the importance of having regular hearing screenings, and recognizing the month of May 3 2016 as "Better Hearing Month" in Pennsylvania. 4 5 WHEREAS, Optimum performance and health of the human body depends on the ability of people to hear and understand 6 communication and other environmental sounds; and 8 WHEREAS, Damage to hair cells in the cochlea cause hearing 9 loss that may be treated by hearing aids or cochlear implants which improve a person's ability to hear and understand; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Hearing aids or cochlear implants can drastically 12 improve a person's quality of life; and 13 WHEREAS, Hearing loss is often not noticed by a person as a result of its slow progression; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Doctors of audiology are licensed professionals 16 uniquely trained to assess, identify, diagnose and treat hearing 17 loss; and WHEREAS, Regular hearing screenings can identify certain 18

hearing problems that may be remedied before they become

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- 1 permanent; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Academy of Audiology has been a
- 3 leader in educating Pennsylvanians about the importance of
- 4 having regular hearing screenings; therefore be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the Senate commend the Pennsylvania Academy of
- 6 Audiology for its efforts to educate Pennsylvanians about the
- 7 importance of having regular hearing screenings; and be it
- 8 further
- 9 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of May 2016 as
- 10 "Better Hearing Month" in Pennsylvania.