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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MAY 31, 2017

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the continued commitment of Congress to eradicating  
2 cancer through additional funding to the National Institutes  
3 of Health and other important cancer programs in the most  
4 recent appropriation bill.

5 WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States, in a bipartisan  
6 2017 funding deal, increased the National Institutes of Health's  
7 appropriation by \$2 billion; and

8 WHEREAS, An additional \$475 million has been appropriated to  
9 the National Cancer Institute; and

10 WHEREAS, This budget agreement will maintain funding levels  
11 for cancer control programs at the Centers for Disease Control  
12 and Prevention, including the National Breast and Cervical  
13 Cancer Early Detection Program; and

14 WHEREAS, Cancer will affect more than 1,700,000 Americans  
15 this year, making prevention and early detection so vitally  
16 important; and

17 WHEREAS, Protecting funding for screening and testing in the

1 battle against cancer is vital, as prevention is the most potent  
2 weapon in the cancer fighting arsenal; and

3 WHEREAS, Congress has also included money to help deter the  
4 most preventable sources of cancer, specifically, tobacco use;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, The Office on Smoking and Health lead the Federal  
7 effort to stop youths and adults from smoking, and plays an  
8 important role in keeping tobacco-related cancer cases to a  
9 minimum; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the  
11 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania recognize Congress for making the  
12 fight against cancer a priority in their spending plan; and be  
13 it further

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge Congress to  
15 continue funding cancer programs aggressively into 2018 so we  
16 can once and for all eradicate cancer; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
18 the President of the United States, the presiding officers of  
19 each House of Congress and each member of Congress from  
20 Pennsylvania.