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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,  
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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of September 2018 as "Histiocytosis  
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Histiocytosis is a general name for a group of rare  
4 disorders that involve an abnormal increase in the number of  
5 specialized white blood cells that are called histiocytes; and

6 WHEREAS, In 1987, the Histiocyte Society first classified  
7 this group of disorders into three categories; and

8 WHEREAS, The first category, dendritic cell disorder,  
9 includes Langerhans cell histosis, juvenile xanthogranuloma and  
10 Erdheim-Chester disease; and

11 WHEREAS, The second category, macrophage cell disorder,  
12 includes hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis and Rosai-Dorfman  
13 disease; and

14 WHEREAS, The third category, malignant histiocytosis,  
15 includes certain kinds of leukemia and malignant tumors; and

16 WHEREAS, There are multiple competing classification systems,

1 including a proposed five-category system; and

2 WHEREAS, Chemotherapy is a common treatment for histiocytotic  
3 disorders; and

4 WHEREAS, Histiocytotic disorders can affect children or  
5 adults, and more research is needed to help those impacted by  
6 the disorders; therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
8 month of September 2018 as "Histiocytosis Awareness Month" in  
9 Pennsylvania.