A RESOLUTION

Recognizing the month of September 2020 as "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, Every woman is at risk for ovarian cancer regardless of age, heritage or medical history; and

WHEREAS, According to the American Cancer Society, a woman's risk of developing ovarian cancer during her lifetime is 1 in 78; and

WHEREAS, A woman's lifetime chance of dying from ovarian cancer is approximately 1 in 108; and

WHEREAS, Approximately one-half of women with ovarian cancer are 63 years of age or older; and

WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society estimates that there will be approximately 21,750 new cases of ovarian cancer and that 13,940 women will die from ovarian cancer in the United States in 2020; and
WHEREAS, Approximately 20% of cases of ovarian cancer are
detected at an early stage; and
WHEREAS, When found early, about 94% of patients live longer
than five years after diagnosis; and
WHEREAS, It is important for women to have honest, open
conversations with their doctors to detect potential symptoms
early; and
WHEREAS, Ovarian cancer awareness and education are important
factors in diagnosis and treatment; therefore be it
RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
month of September 2020 as "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month" in
Pennsylvania.