

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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BELARDI, J. L. WRIGHT, ITKIN AND MELIO, JUNE 22, 1987

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JUNE 23, 1987

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring the month of August 1987 as "Lyme Disease Awareness
2 and Prevention Month" in Pennsylvania

3 WHEREAS, Lyme Disease is an ailment caused by a bite from an
4 Ixodes dammini tick, commonly referred to as a deer tick, which
5 can result in flu-like symptoms and chronic arthritic conditions
6 and can create permanent joint damage and muscle paralysis and
7 heart damage; and

8 WHEREAS, Lyme Disease has been increasing each year; and

9 WHEREAS, Early detection of Lyme Disease and preventative
10 measures (such as wearing protective clothing and using tick
11 repellent in outdoor areas, providing tick collars for pets,
12 and inspecting for the presence of deer ticks) leads to more
13 successful treatment; and

14 WHEREAS, Public knowledge of Lyme Disease and the deer tick,
15 is limited, and summer months are the primary time periods for
16 the transmission of Lyme Disease; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives request that the

- 1 Governor declare the month of August 1987 as "Lyme Disease
- 2 Awareness and Prevention Month" in Pennsylvania.