

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MAY 11, 2000

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring June 2000 as "Leukemia Awareness Month" in  
2 Pennsylvania and urging all citizens of this Commonwealth to  
3 join in its observance.

4 WHEREAS, This year more than 145,000 Americans will be  
5 stricken with leukemia or one of its related diseases, lymphoma,  
6 Hodgkin's disease and multiple myeloma; and

7 WHEREAS, Four in every 100,000 children in the United States  
8 between two and ten years of age will be diagnosed with leukemia  
9 this year; and

10 WHEREAS, More children die from leukemia than from any other

1 disease; and

2 WHEREAS, Leukemia strikes ten times as many adults as  
3 children and is the leading fatal malignant disease in men and  
4 women under 35 years of age; and

5 WHEREAS, The overall survival rate of leukemia has doubled in  
6 the past 20 years, and the effectiveness of recently developed  
7 treatment methods and steady advances in research bring us  
8 closer to finding the probable causes and cures for leukemia and  
9 related cancers; and

10 WHEREAS, The Leukemia Society of America, a voluntary health  
11 organization, depends solely on the voluntary contributions of  
12 time and money by concerned businesses, groups and individuals;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, A primary goal of the Leukemia Society of America is  
15 to promote increased state and Federal funding of biomedical  
16 research; and

17 WHEREAS, Finding the causes and eventual cures for leukemia,  
18 lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and multiple myeloma relies on  
19 continued funding and research; and

20 WHEREAS, Past biomedical research is responsible for the most  
21 common form of childhood leukemia being considered as a  
22 potentially curable disease; and

23 WHEREAS, The Leukemia Society of America, together with  
24 regional and local chapters, is dedicated to improving the  
25 quality of life of patients and their families; and

26 WHEREAS, The Leukemia Society of America provides annual  
27 financial assistance to more than 6,000 patients with leukemia  
28 and related cancers for expenditures not met by other sources;  
29 therefore be it

30 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare the month

1 of June 2000 as "Leukemia Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.