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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, FEBRUARY 1, 2006

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Observing the month of March 2006 as "National Colorectal Cancer 2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of
- 4 cancer death among men and women in the United States; and
- 5 WHEREAS, It is estimated that in 2005, physicians diagnosed
- 6 more than 149,000 new cases of colorectal cancer in the United
- 7 States; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The disease is suspected to have killed more than
- 9 56,000 individuals in the United States in 2005; and
- 10 WHEREAS, If everyone 50 years of age or older would have
- 11 regular colorectal cancer screening tests, more than one-third

- 1 of these deaths would be avoided because of early detection and
- 2 treatment; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Adopting a healthy diet at a young age can
- 4 significantly reduce the risk of developing colorectal cancer;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, March has been designated as "National Nutrition
- 7 Awareness Month, " and prevention of colorectal cancer is highly
- 8 dependent on dietary factors; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer can almost always be cured if
- 10 detected in its early stages; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Regular screening tests detect colon polyps before
- 12 they become cancerous, saving lives; and
- 13 WHEREAS, There are an estimated 1 million survivors of
- 14 colorectal cancer in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, Education can help inform the public of methods of
- 16 prevention and symptoms of early detection; therefore be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives observe the month
- 18 of March 2006 as "National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month" in
- 19 Pennsylvania.