
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2006

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FEBRUARY 7, 2006

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 7, 2006, as "Women's Heart Awareness Day"
2 in Pennsylvania and encouraging all citizens to wear red to
3 raise women's awareness of cardiovascular disease.

4 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular disease is America's number one
5 killer; and

6 WHEREAS, Someone dies every 33 seconds from cardiovascular
7 disease; and

8 WHEREAS, Heart disease and stroke affect one out of two
9 women; and

10 WHEREAS, Since 1984, more women than men have died as a
11 result of heart disease, stroke and other cardiovascular
12 diseases; and

13 WHEREAS, More than 500,000 females die each year from all
14 heart and blood vessel diseases combined; and

1 WHEREAS, In the United States 38% of women who have heart
2 attacks die within a year; and

3 WHEREAS, More than 45% of women have high cholesterol; and

4 WHEREAS, Women account for nearly 62% of total stroke deaths;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, As the United States population continues to age,
7 more people are at higher risk of cardiovascular disease; and

8 WHEREAS, Heart disease and stroke may be controlled through
9 prevention, detection and treatment of risk factors; and

10 WHEREAS, Compliance with prescription instructions, medical
11 instructions and physician directives is important to
12 cardiovascular health; and

13 WHEREAS, The American Heart Association is committed to
14 public education about heart disease and stroke and urges women
15 to learn about the risk factors for heart disease and stroke and
16 take action to reduce, control or prevent as many risk factors
17 as possible; and

18 WHEREAS, The American Heart Association and its division the
19 American Stroke Association promote the benefits of good health
20 through community service programs and continually incorporate
21 the latest medical advances into programs that help people live
22 healthier, more productive lives; and

23 WHEREAS, The American Heart Association is committed to the
24 support of ongoing medical research on prevention, detection and
25 treatment of heart disease and stroke; and

26 WHEREAS, Since 1949 the American Heart Association spent
27 almost \$2.5 billion on research to increase knowledge about
28 cardiovascular disease and stroke; therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
30 February 7, 2006, as "Women's Heart Awareness Day" in

1 Pennsylvania and urge all citizens to wear red to support the
2 American Heart Association's "Wear Red Day" event to increase
3 awareness of heart disease, the number one killer of women; and
4 be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives challenge all
6 citizens of this Commonwealth to take charge of their
7 cardiovascular health and to support the lifesaving mission of
8 the American Heart Association.