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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating February 3, 2006, as "Wear Red for Women Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Diseases of the heart are the nation's leading cause
- 4 of death, and stroke is the third leading cause of death; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases (CVD) claim the lives of
- 6 more than 480,000 women in the United States each year, with
- 7 about one death per minute; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Each year, of the females who die, 53% die from CVD,
- 9 as compared to 46% men; and
- 10 WHEREAS, About 35,000 more females than males die from a
- 11 stroke; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In 2006 the estimated direct and indirect cost of
- 13 CVD and stroke in the United States is \$403.1 billion; and
- 14 WHEREAS, More women die from CVD than from the next six
- 15 leading causes of death combined, including all cancers; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Only 13% of women consider CVD their greatest health

- 1 risk; and
- WHEREAS, February is designated as "American Heart Month";
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, "Go Red for Women" is the American Heart
- 5 Association's national call to increase awareness of CVD, the
- 6 leading cause of death for women, and to inspire women to take
- 7 charge of their heart health; therefore be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Senate, in recognition of the importance
- 9 of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, designate
- 10 February 3, 2006, as "Wear Red for Women Day" in Pennsylvania
- 11 and urge all citizens to show their support for women and the
- 12 fight against heart disease by wearing red on this day.