THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 657 Session of 2008

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MARCH 24, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 2 3 4	Designating June 7, 2008, as "Alex's Lemonade Stand Day" in Pennsylvania and encouraging all citizens to contribute to the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation and other pediatric cancer research programs.
5	WHEREAS, Cancer is the leading cause of death by disease in
6	children under 15 years of age; and
7	WHEREAS, An average of 36 children are diagnosed with cancer
8	in the United States each day; and
9	WHEREAS, In 2007, approximately 10,400 American children
10	under the age of 15 are diagnosed with cancer; and
11	WHEREAS, Due to advances in research, the childhood cancer

1 cure rate has climbed to about 80%; and

2 WHEREAS, Alexandra Scott was an extraordinary person who was 3 diagnosed with neuroblastoma, an aggressive childhood cancer, 4 two days before her first birthday; and

5 WHEREAS, In July 2000, at the age of four, Alex opened her 6 first lemonade stand to raise money for pediatric cancer 7 research; and

8 WHEREAS, On August 1, 2004, Alex passed away at the age of 9 eight; and

10 WHEREAS, Since Alex's first lemonade stand in 2000, there 11 have been more than 7,000 Alex's Lemonade Stands held across the 12 country; and

WHEREAS, The Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation was created to accept and manage donations from all over the world; and WHEREAS, Since 2000, the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation raised over \$17 million for pediatric cancer research thereby far surpassing the \$1 million monetary goal established by Alex before she passed away; and

19 WHEREAS, Alex's efforts have garnered national and 20 international attention and have inspired thousands of 21 individuals to donate to pediatric cancer research; and 22 WHEREAS, The Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation continues to 23 raise awareness and financial support for research in childhood 24 cancers; and

25 WHEREAS, During the weekend of June 6 through 8, 2008, 26 volunteers in every state across the country will host an Alex's 27 Lemonade Stand to support Alex's cause in the fight to find a 28 cure for childhood cancers; therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate June 7, 30 2008, as "Alex's Lemonade Stand Day" in Pennsylvania and 20080H0657R3462 - 2 -

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- 2 Stand Foundation and other pediatric cancer research programs.