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SENATE RESOLUTION

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PILEGGI, TOMLINSON, KITCHEN, O'PAKE, STACK, PIPPY, GREENLEAF,
WILLIAMS, COSTA, FOLMER AND WONDERLING, FEBRUARY 20, 2009

REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, FEBRUARY 20, 2009

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating June 7, 2009, as "Alex's Lemonade Stand Day" in
2 Pennsylvania and encouraging all citizens to contribute to
3 the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation and other pediatric
4 cancer research programs.

5 WHEREAS, Cancer is the leading cause of death by disease in
6 children under 20 years of age; and

7 WHEREAS, About 12,400 children are diagnosed with cancer in
8 the United States each year; and

9 WHEREAS, Due to advances in research, the childhood cancer
10 cure rate has climbed to about 80%; and

11 WHEREAS, Alexandra Scott was an extraordinary person who was
12 diagnosed with neuroblastoma, an aggressive childhood cancer,
13 two days before her first birthday; and

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

17 WHEREAS, On August 1, 2004, Alex passed away at the age of

1 eight; and

2 WHEREAS, Since Alex's first lemonade stand in 2000, there
3 have been more than 4,000 Alex's Lemonade Stands held across
4 this nation; and

5 WHEREAS, The Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation was created to
6 accept and manage donations from all over the world; and

7 WHEREAS, By January 2007, the Alex's Lemonade Stand
8 Foundation raised nearly \$10 million for pediatric cancer
9 research thereby far surpassing the \$1 million monetary goal
10 established by Alex before she passed away; and

11 WHEREAS, Alex's efforts have garnered national and
12 international attention and have inspired hundreds of
13 individuals to donate to pediatric cancer research; and

14 WHEREAS, The Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation continues to
15 raise awareness and financial support for research in childhood
16 cancers; and

17 WHEREAS, During the weekend of June 5 through 7, 2009,
18 volunteers across the country will host an Alex's Lemonade Stand
19 to support Alex's cause in the fight to find a cure for
20 childhood cancers; therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate June 7, 2009, as "Alex's
22 Lemonade Stand Day" in Pennsylvania and encourage all citizens
23 to contribute to the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation and other
24 pediatric cancer research programs.