

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 877 Session of 2012

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 1, 2012

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 21, 2012, as "Biomedical Research Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The biomedical research community in the United
4 States and especially in this Commonwealth is recognized as a
5 world leader in discoveries which promote health and the
6 treatment of disease; and

7 WHEREAS, Virtually every major medical advance in the past
8 century has depended upon biomedical research; and

9 WHEREAS, These advances include the prevention and treatment
10 of cancer, discoveries of vaccines for the prevention of
11 measles, mumps, polio and hepatitis, and medications to treat
12 high blood pressure, arthritis and mental illness, among many
13 others; and

14 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has helped increase the life
15 span of people in the United States through the development of

1 vaccines, antibiotics and anti-infective drugs; and

2 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has contributed to the
3 elimination of many epidemic diseases and has helped to prevent
4 numerous childhood killers in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, Biomedical researchers are working diligently toward
6 cures for Alzheimer's disease, arthritis, acquired immune
7 deficiency syndrome (AIDS), cancer, diabetes, epilepsy, heart
8 and lung diseases, mental illnesses, multiple sclerosis and
9 countless other diseases affecting millions of people in the
10 United States; and

11 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has contributed to the health
12 and well-being of animals through vaccines and has helped the
13 prospects of endangered species by reducing diseases and
14 promoting reproduction; and

15 WHEREAS, Biomedical research offers the best hope for new
16 breakthroughs in disease detection and treatment; and

17 WHEREAS, The biomedical research community in this
18 Commonwealth and throughout the United States is recognized as
19 the world leader in discovering and developing new knowledge and
20 ideas that promote better health and the treatment of disease;
21 therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
23 21, 2012, as "Biomedical Research Day" in Pennsylvania in
24 recognition of the biomedical research community and its service
25 to this Commonwealth.