
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 494 Session of
2015

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WATSON, WHEELAND, YOUNGBLOOD AND MAHONEY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 18, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of September 2015 as "Pain Awareness
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, More than 100 million Americans live with a form of
4 chronic pain on a daily basis; and

5 WHEREAS, Chronic pain is the number one cause of adult
6 disability in the United States; and

7 WHEREAS, Chronic pain is both an underrecognized and
8 underresourced public health crisis with devastating personal
9 and economic impact; and

10 WHEREAS, The American Chronic Pain Association through "Pain
11 Awareness Month" will create public awareness and facilitate
12 cooperative efforts among various organizations with an interest
13 in the many aspects of pain and address the obstacles and issues
14 that living with chronic pain creates; and

15 WHEREAS, Recent strides have been made in the research and
16 treatment of chronic pain; and

1 WHEREAS, Increased awareness of and potential cures for
2 chronic pain can lead to much-needed relief; therefore be it
3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
4 month of September 2015 as "Pain Awareness Month" in
5 Pennsylvania and call upon all residents of this Commonwealth to
6 join in this observance by participating in appropriate
7 activities to raise awareness of chronic pain and by learning
8 how to improve the quality of life for people in this
9 Commonwealth suffering from chronic pain.