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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the month of September 2016 as "Ovarian Cancer
- 2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Every woman is at risk for ovarian cancer regardless
- 4 of age, heritage or medical history; and
- 5 WHEREAS, According to the American Cancer Society, a woman's
- 6 risk of being diagnosed with ovarian cancer during her lifetime
- 7 is 1 in 75; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Ovarian cancer is the eighth most common cancer
- 9 among women and the fifth leading cause of cancer death among
- 10 women; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Approximately one-half of the women with ovarian
- 12 cancer are 63 years of age or older; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society estimates that there
- 2 will be approximately 22,280 new cases of ovarian cancer in the
- 3 United States in 2016 and that 14,240 women will die from
- 4 ovarian cancer in 2016; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Approximately 15% of ovarian cancers are found at an
- 6 early stage; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Early detection improves the chances of survival;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, Nine out of ten women treated for early ovarian
- 10 cancer will live longer than five years after the cancer is
- 11 found; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Ovarian cancer awareness and education are important
- 13 factors in diagnosis and treatment; therefore be it
- 14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 15 month of September 2016 as "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month" in
- 16 Pennsylvania.