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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

March 7, 2011

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Sue Helm, Member

104th Legislative District

SUBJECT:

House Resolution- World Voice Day

On behalf of the Pennsylvania Society of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, I am seeking your assistance in bringing public attention to the prevalence of voice disorders and ways that people can help preserve and protect their voices. Each year on April 16, otolaryngologist-head and neck surgeons and other voice health professionals around the world join together to observe World Voice Day, a celebration of the human voice, which raises awareness about voice disorders. I am respectfully asking that you join me in sponsoring a resolution observing April 16, 2010, as World Voice Day in Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The Pennsylvania society of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery represents 258 (there are 686 Otolaryngology and residents in the State of Pennsylvania) physicians who diagnose and treat disorders of the ears, nose, throat and related structures of the head and neck. Often times, referred to as ENT doctors, otolaryngologist-head and neck surgeons treat some of the most common medical disorders afflicting all Americans, including hearing loss and balance problems, snoring and sleep apnea, sinus and rhinological disorders, speech and swallowing problems, head and neck cancer, and –of course- voice disorders.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information regarding this resolution. I look forward to speaking with you or your staff about this further and hope we can count on your support. Please contact Brandy Brown at 787-1230 or bbrown@pahousegop.com is you wish to cosponsor this legislation. Thank you.

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