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MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members
FROM: Rep. Dan Moul
DATE: March 18, 2011
SUBJECT: Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month

In the near future I plan on reintroducing a resolution designating May 15 through June 15, 2011 as Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month in Pennsylvania.

Tourette Syndrome is a developmental disability that begins before a child is 18 years of age and affects children and adults of all races and ethnicities. Individuals are affected by tics, involuntary rapid, sudden movements or vocalizations that occur repeatedly in the same way. An estimated 200,000 people in the United States and well over 3,000 Pennsylvanians, have been diagnosed with this neuro-biological genetic condition which has no cure. Understanding this illness will help guarantee hope for acceptance and a better future for people with Tourette Syndrome.

I hope you will join me in sponsorship of this resolution to bring awareness to this often misunderstood condition and contact Suzette Beemer at sbeemer@pahousegop.com.

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