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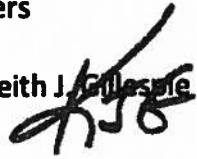
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MEMORANDUM

To: All House Members

From: Representative Keith J. Gillespie
45 East Wing 

Subject: CPR/AED Awareness Resolution

I plan to introduce a resolution designating the week of June 1-7, 2011 as "*CPR and AED Awareness Week.*"

According to American Heart Association, training more people to perform CPR increases a victim's chance of survival by enabling more possible bystanders to handle an emergency. Less than one-third of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest victims receive CPR from a bystander. Without immediate CPR, the chance of surviving out-of-hospital cardiac arrest drops up to 10 percent for each minute that passes without defibrillation.

The American Heart Association, American Red Cross and the National Safety Council have made a commitment to reach as many people nationwide as possible during this one week to provide the vital knowledge and skills to respond to a life-threatening situation with confidence.

Please join me in this effort to encourage the citizens of Pennsylvania to learn these life-saving skills.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Cheryl Gruber at 705-7167 or by email cgruber@pahousegop.com. Thank you.