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## **CO-SPONSORSHIP MEMO**

DATE:

August 30, 2011

TO:

All Senators

FROM:

Senator Jane M. Eagli

SUBJECT: MEMO #13 - Childhood Cancer Awareness Month Resolution

Please join me in co-sponsoring a resolution designating September, 2011, as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania, honoring those young people who have lost their lives to childhood cancer, expressing gratitude to the doctors and nurses who provide special care to patients and families affected by childhood cancer, and encouraging all citizens to join the fight against childhood cancer in the Commonwealth.

Childhood cancer is the number one disease killer of children in the United States, killing more children between the ages of one and twenty than asthma, diabetes, cystic fibrosis and AIDS combined, and is the second leading cause of death during childhood, exceeded only by accidents. The American Cancer Society estimates that 11,210 children under 15 years of age will be diagnosed with cancer this year and roughly 1,320 will lose their battle against the disease.

If you wish to co-sponsor this resolution, please contact Lauren Clark at <a href="lclark@pasen.gov">lclark@pasen.gov</a> by Friday, September 16, 2011.

Thank you.