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REPLY TO:

**TO:** All Senators

**DATE:** August 31, 2011

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**FROM:** Senator Christine M. Tartaglione

Senator Richard Kasunic

**SUBJECT:** Co-sponsorship of Resolution:  
**Breast Cancer Month**

Breast Cancer touches the lives of many people, and has personally touched both of our families. Not only is it the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women in the United States -- one in eight women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer during their lifetime regardless of their race or ethnicity, but also affects men. Each year 450 men will die from male breast cancer and the numbers are increasing.

While the statistics seem grim, nearly all breast cancers can be treated successfully if found early. When it is found at its earliest stage, the five-year survival rate is 98%. Unfortunately, men are typically diagnosed at a late stage due to lack of awareness that men can develop the disease.

Please join us in sponsoring a resolution marking October, 2011 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Pennsylvania to help raise awareness of this disease and the importance of early diagnosis in combating it.

If you would like to co-sponsor this resolution, please contact Senator Tartaglione's office at 787-1141 or e-mail Sherry Hess at [shess@pasenate.com](mailto:shess@pasenate.com).