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REPLY TO:

TO: All Senators

DATE: October 11, 2012

FROM: Senator Christine M. Tartaglione

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of Resolution:
Assistive Technology Awareness Month

I intend to introduce a Resolution observing the month of November as “Assistive Technology Awareness Month” in Pennsylvania.

Assistive technology, as defined by the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, can be described as “any item, piece of equipment, or product system, whether acquired commercially off the shelf, modified, or customized, that is used to increase, maintain, or improve functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities.”

Pennsylvania is a leader in the development and implementation of assistive technology programs for its citizens with disabilities and for its older residents who have limited functional capabilities. These services allow people to live independently and productively in the community of their choice and allow them to work, attend school and engage in hobbies and recreation.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this resolution, please contact my office at 787-1141 or e-mail Elizabeth Gray at egray@pasenate.com.