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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 4, 2012

TO: All House Members



FROM: Representative Justin Simmons
131st Legislative District

SUBJECT: Hydrocephalus Awareness Month Resolution

On Wednesday October 10th I will be introducing a resolution declaring November 2012 as "Hydrocephalus Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania. This will also be presented on the House Floor the week of October 15th.

Hydrocephalus is a congenital condition in which an abnormal accumulation of fluid in the cerebral ventricles causes enlargement of the skull and compression of the brain, destroying much of the neural tissue. There is no medical therapy to treat hydrocephalus and the only effective treatments are surgical. Nearly 40,000 of these operations are performed annually. This commonwealth is home to several renowned medical institutions and other organizations working to increase public awareness and develop new treatments that will improve the lives of those who are afflicted with this condition.

If you would like to cosponsor this resolution, please contact Lori McCauslin in my office at (717) 783-1673 or lmccausl@pahousegop.com