

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
FEBRUARY 25, 2003

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of March 2003 as "National Colorectal
2 Cancer Awareness Month."

3 WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of
4 cancer deaths in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, It is estimated that in 2002, physicians will have
6 diagnosed 150,000 new cases of colorectal cancer in the United
7 States; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2002 the disease is expected to have killed
9 56,600 individuals in this country; and

1 WHEREAS, Less than 50% of individuals over 50 years of age
2 receive annual screenings for colorectal cancer; and

3 WHEREAS, Adopting a healthy diet at a young age can
4 significantly reduce the risk of developing colorectal cancer;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, March has also been designated as "National
7 Nutrition Awareness Month," and the prevention of colorectal
8 cancer is highly dependent on dietary factors; and

9 WHEREAS, Regular screenings can save large numbers of lives;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Education can help inform the public of methods of
12 prevention and symptoms of early detection; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
14 month of March 2003 as "National Colorectal Cancer Awareness
15 Month."