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SENATE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, MARCH 13, 2006

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of March 13 through 17, 2006, as "Multiple
2 Sclerosis Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, In its mission to end the devastating effects of
4 multiple sclerosis (MS) since its founding in 1946, the National
5 Multiple Sclerosis Society funds more research, provides more
6 services for people with MS, offers more professional education
7 programs and furthers more MS advocacy efforts than any other MS
8 organization in the world; and

9 WHEREAS, MS is a chronic and disabling disease of the central
10 nervous system in which the progression, severity and specific
11 symptoms cannot be foreseen; and

12 WHEREAS, Every hour of every day someone new is diagnosed
13 with MS, a disease that can erode a person's abilities and
14 hopes, halt a career and unravel the fabric of families; and

15 WHEREAS, Relying on the support of caring individuals,

businesses and foundations, the National MS Society strives to improve the lives of more than 400,000 people nationwide, more than 19,000 of whom make their home in Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, For 60 years, the National MS Society has provided hope and help for Pennsylvanians with MS, hope through extensive and promising national, international and local research programs and help through client programs, which make daily life better for people with MS and their families; and

WHEREAS, The goal of every National MS Society program is the self-empowerment of the person living with MS; and

WHEREAS, Since 1946 the National MS Society has invested 460 million dollars to find the cure for MS; and

WHEREAS, This investment is paying off in significant advances in treating MS, such as new medications, which may reduce or delay future disability for people with MS; and

WHEREAS, While research advances have brought us closer to finding the cure, much remains to be done, and services must continue to be provided to persons living with MS; and

WHEREAS, The National MS Society is driven to serve the constantly changing needs of persons with MS and their families by extending essential services to all who need them; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of March 13 through 17, 2006, as "Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania in recognition of 60 years that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has served people with multiple sclerosis.