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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
FEBRUARY 13, 2007

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of March 5 through 11, 2007, as "Multiple  
2 Sclerosis Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Multiple sclerosis is a neurological disease of the  
4 central nervous system affecting an estimated 400,000 Americans;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Nearly 200 new cases of multiple sclerosis are  
7 diagnosed each week nationwide; and

8 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Chapters of the National Multiple  
9 Sclerosis Society report that in this State more than 19,000  
10 people are affected by this devastating disease; and

11 WHEREAS, Multiple sclerosis generally strikes young adults

1 between 20 and 40 years of age, attacking them in the prime of  
2 life; and

3 WHEREAS, Persons with multiple sclerosis may experience  
4 tremendous suffering and pain and even paralysis; and

5 WHEREAS, The cause and cure for multiple sclerosis remain  
6 unknown; and

7 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Chapters of the National Multiple  
8 Sclerosis Society have been committed throughout the years to  
9 heightening public knowledge and insight about multiple  
10 sclerosis and are currently planning several major Statewide  
11 fundraisers and educational programs to raise awareness; and

12 WHEREAS, Finding the cause and developing a method of  
13 prevention for multiple sclerosis are important goals all  
14 Americans and Pennsylvanians should support; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
16 week of March 5 through 11, 2007, as "Multiple Sclerosis  
17 Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania and encourage the citizens of  
18 this great State to join in the fight to end this devastating  
19 disease; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives express its  
21 appreciation and admiration for the major work of the National  
22 Multiple Sclerosis Society over the years in heightening public  
23 knowledge and insight about multiple sclerosis.