
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 283 Session of
2007

INTRODUCED BY SHAPIRO, BAKER, BELFANTI, BISHOP, BOBACK, BOYD, BUXTON, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CLYMER, COHEN, CONKLIN, DeWEESE, DiGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, FLECK, FRANKEL, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHART, HENNESSEY, HESS, M. KELLER, W. KELLER, KENNEY, KOTIK, KULA, MAHONEY, MAJOR, MANDERINO, MANN, MANTZ, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McGEEHAN, MENSCH, MILLARD, MOUL, MOYER, MUSTIO, NAILOR, M. O'BRIEN, PALLONE, PAYNE, PHILLIPS, PYLE, QUIGLEY, RAMALEY, RAPP, READSHAW, REED, REICHLEY, ROHRER, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SAYLOR, SCHRODER, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, STABACK, STERN, SURRA, SWANGER, TANGRETTI, J. TAYLOR, R. TAYLOR, TRUE, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD, CAUSER, SIPTROTH, MARSHALL, PRESTON, ADOLPH, KILLION, EVERETT AND HERSHEY, MAY 22, 2007

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 22, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of September 2007 as "Prostate Cancer
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society reports that prostate
4 cancer is the most common type of cancer, other than skin
5 cancer, diagnosed among men in the nation and estimates that
6 prostate cancer will afflict 218,890 men in 2007, 12,230 of
7 which are in Pennsylvania; and

8 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society reports that prostate
9 cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death among men in
10 the nation, causing an estimated 27,050 deaths in 2007, 1,310 of
11 which are in Pennsylvania; and

1 WHEREAS, The National Cancer Institute reports that
2 Pennsylvania is among the top five states with new cases in
3 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society estimates that men have
5 a 1 in 6 chance of being diagnosed with prostate cancer in their
6 lifetime; and

7 WHEREAS, The risk of developing prostate cancer rises sharply
8 after age 50 and doubles every ten years thereafter; and

9 WHEREAS, Prostate cancer is twice as common among African-
10 American men; and

11 WHEREAS, Early detection and screening for prostate cancer
12 are vital to combating the disease, especially for men more than
13 50 years of age, African-American men and men with a family
14 history of prostate cancer; and

15 WHEREAS, With early detection, the five-year relative
16 survival rate for men with localized prostate cancer is 100%;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Greater public awareness and education about
19 prostate cancer is necessary to help protect the health and
20 welfare of men; therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
22 month of September 2007 as "Prostate Cancer Awareness Month" in
23 Pennsylvania and encourage all men to educate themselves about
24 the risk of prostate cancer.