
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JANUARY 29, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 Observing the month of March 2008 as "National Colorectal Cancer
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of
4 cancer death among men and women in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, It is estimated that in 2007, physicians diagnosed
6 more than 153,000 new cases of colorectal cancer in the United
7 States; and

8 WHEREAS, The disease is suspected to have killed more than
9 52,000 individuals in the United States in 2007; and

10 WHEREAS, If everyone 50 years of age or older would have

1 regular colorectal cancer screening tests, at least one-third of
2 colorectal cancer deaths could be prevented a year because of
3 early detection and treatment; and

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

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

10 WHEREAS, Colorectal cancer can almost always be cured if
11 detected in its early stages; and

12 WHEREAS, Regular screening tests detect colon polyps before
13 they become cancerous, saving lives; and

14 WHEREAS, Screening reduces mortality both by decreasing
15 incidents and detecting a higher proportion of cancer at early,
16 more treatable stages; and

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

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives observe the month
20 of March 2008 as "National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month" in
21 Pennsylvania.