

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2008

INTRODUCED BY CURRY, BEYER, BISHOP, BOYD, BRENNAN, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, CONKLIN, DALEY, DePASQUALE, DiGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FAIRCHILD, FLECK, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHART, HARKINS, HARPER, HELM, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, JAMES, KENNEY, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, MAJOR, MANDERINO, MANN, MANTZ, McGEEHAN, McILHATTAN, MELIO, MILLARD, R. MILLER, MOUL, MOYER, MUSTIO, NAILOR, M. O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PAYNE, PHILLIPS, PYLE, QUINN, RAMALEY, REED, REICHLEY, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, SWANGER, TRUE, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, WATSON, J. WHITE, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD, MAY 12, 2008

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 12, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 18, 2008, as "LiveStrong Day" in Pennsylvania in
2 support of cancer awareness and commending the Lance
3 Armstrong Foundation for its continued commitment to cancer-
4 related issues.

5 WHEREAS, According to the Department of Health and the
6 University of Pittsburgh, cancer is the second leading cause of
7 death in this Commonwealth; and

8 WHEREAS, Three out of four people in their lifetimes will
9 have a family member diagnosed with cancer; one in three women
10 and one in two men will be diagnosed with cancers in their
11 lifetimes; and 1.4 million people will be diagnosed with cancer
12 in the United States this year; and

13 WHEREAS, More than 559,000 Americans are expected to die from

1 cancer this year, and African-American men and women have the
2 highest mortality rates for all cancer sites combined; cancer is
3 the number one killer of those under 85 years of age; and

4 WHEREAS, The people of this Commonwealth have concern and
5 compassion for people affected by cancer; and

6 WHEREAS, By uniting people affected by cancer to raise
7 awareness through education, prevention, screening and early
8 detection efforts, we gain strength in the fight against cancer
9 in this Commonwealth; and

10 WHEREAS, The Lance Armstrong Foundation and many others
11 throughout this Commonwealth are committed to ensuring that all
12 cancer patients are treated with compassion and respect and are
13 provided with the tools and resources necessary to battle the
14 physical, emotional and practical challenges of a cancer
15 diagnosis; and

16 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth is home to Abramson Cancer Center
17 of the University of Pennsylvania, Fox Chase Cancer Center,
18 Kimmel Cancer Center, The Wistar Institute and the University of
19 Pittsburgh Cancer Institute; and

20 WHEREAS, "LiveStrong Day" exemplifies the spirit of people
21 affected by cancer--survivors, caregivers, friends, family,
22 physicians, nurses, social workers and researchers--throughout
23 this Commonwealth; therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 18,
25 2008, as "LiveStrong Day" in Pennsylvania in support of cancer
26 awareness and commend the Lance Armstrong Foundation for its
27 continued commitment to this important cause.