THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 751

Session of 2008

INTRODUCED BY CURRY, BELFANTI, BEYER, BIANCUCCI, BISHOP, BOYD, BRENNAN, BUXTON, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, CONKLIN, DALEY, DALLY, DELUCA, DEPASQUALE, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FLECK, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHART, HARPER, HELM, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, JAMES, KENNEY, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, MAJOR, MANDERINO, MANN, MANTZ, MCCALL, MCILHATTAN, MELIO, MILLARD, MILNE, MOYER, MUNDY, MUSTIO, NAILOR, M. O'BRIEN, PALLONE, PAYNE, PHILLIPS, PYLE, QUINN, RAMALEY, RAPP, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROHRER, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, R. STEVENSON, SWANGER, TANGRETTI, 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 the month of May 2008 as "Hemophilia Awareness
- 2 Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Hemophilia is a genetic disorder that impairs the
- 4 body's ability to control bleeding; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Hemophilia is defined as excessive, uncontrollable
- 6 bleeding because of a missing or low-level clotting factor in
- 7 the blood; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Bleeding may occur even when there is no injury and
- 9 most often occurs in the joints and in the head; and
- 10 WHEREAS, There are approximately 20,000 United States
- 11 citizens with hemophilia, and each year approximately 400 babies

- 1 are born with the disorder; and
- WHEREAS, There are approximately 1,700 citizens of this
- 3 Commonwealth living with hemophilia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Hemophilia affects males almost exclusively and is
- 5 found in all populations; and
- 6 WHEREAS, There is no cure for hemophilia, a lifelong
- 7 condition that must be controlled with intravenous infusion of
- 8 factor replacement therapies; therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 10 month of May 2008 as "Hemophilia Awareness Month" in
- 11 Pennsylvania.