## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating February 2, 2007, as "Wear Red for Women Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Diseases of the heart are the nation's leading cause
- 4 of death, and stroke is the third leading cause of death; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases (CVD) claim the lives of
- 6 more than 460,000 women in the United States each year, with
- 7 about one death per minute; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Each year, 53% of all CVD deaths occur in women, as
- 9 compared to 47% in men; and
- 10 WHEREAS, About 32,800 more women than men die from a stroke;
- 11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, In 2006 the estimated direct and indirect cost of
- 13 CVD and stroke in the United States is \$431.8 billion; and
- 14 WHEREAS, More women die from CVD than from the next five
- 15 leading causes of death combined, including all cancers; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Only 13% of women consider CVD their greatest health

- 1 risk; and
- WHEREAS, February is designated as "American Heart Month";
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, "Go Red for Women" is the American Heart
- 5 Association's national call to increase awareness of CVD, the
- 6 leading cause of death for women, and to inspire women to take
- 7 charge of their heart health; and
- 8 WHEREAS, All women should learn their own personal risk for
- 9 heart disease using tools such as the American Heart
- 10 Association's Go Red For Women Heart CheckUp and by talking to
- 11 their health care provider; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate, in recognition of the importance
- 13 of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, designate
- 14 February 2, 2007, as "Wear Red for Women Day" in Pennsylvania
- 15 and urge all citizens to show their support for women and the
- 16 fight against heart disease by wearing red on this day.