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SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, FEBRUARY 1, 2010

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating February 5, 2010, as "National Wear Red Day" in
2 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 disease claims the lives of nearly
6 460,000 American females each year, approximately one death per
7 minute; and

8 WHEREAS, Each year, 53% of all deaths due to cardiovascular
9 disease and 61% of stroke deaths occur in females; and

10 WHEREAS, Only 21% of women consider cardiovascular disease
11 their greatest health risk; and

12 WHEREAS, Nearly as many women die of heart disease, stroke
13 and all other cardiovascular diseases than the next five leading
14 causes of death combined, including all cancers; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2010, the direct and indirect cost of
16 cardiovascular diseases in the United States, including stroke,

1 is estimated to be \$503.2 billion; and

2 WHEREAS, February is designated as American Heart Month; and

3 WHEREAS, Go Red For Women® is the American Heart

4 Association's national call to increase awareness about heart

5 disease, the leading cause of death for women, and to inspire

6 women to take charge of their heart health; and

7 WHEREAS, All women should learn their own personal risks for

8 heart disease, using tools such as the American Heart

9 Association's Go Red For Women® Heart CheckUp, Go Red For Women®

10 Better U and by talking to their health care providers; and

11 WHEREAS, Making the right choices relating to proper

12 nutrition, physical activity and other healthy lifestyle choices

13 are essential to living a heart-healthy life; and

14 WHEREAS, By choosing to speak up about heart disease, we can

15 save lives using the power of our very own voices; therefore be

16 it

17 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate February 5, 2010, as

18 "National Wear Red Day" in Pennsylvania and urge all citizens to

19 show their support for women and the fight against heart disease

20 by commemorating this day by the wearing of the color red.