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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WILLIAMS AND YOUNGBLOOD, OCTOBER 2, 2012

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER
2, 2012

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of November 2012 as "Sarcoidosis Awareness
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Sarcoidosis is a disease affecting people of all
4 ages and races worldwide; and

5 WHEREAS, This disease causes masses of inflamed tissue, known
6 as granulomas, to form on various organs of the body, including
7 in rare cases, the brain; and

8 WHEREAS, The formation of granulomas on bodily organs may
9 cause failure in the lungs, lymph nodes, skin, eyes and liver;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Sarcoidosis occurs at a higher rate among African
12 Americans, especially African-American women and young males,
13 than among other segments of the United States population; and

14 WHEREAS, Many people with sarcoidosis have no symptoms, and

1 this results in the disease going untreated; and

2 WHEREAS, Currently there is no available means of prevention;

3 and

4 WHEREAS, Sarcoidosis treatment and research would benefit

5 from enhanced awareness; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the

7 month of November 2012 as "Sarcoidosis Awareness Month" in

8 Pennsylvania to help develop greater public awareness of this

9 disease.