## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- Recognizing the month of October 2013 as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Women's and men's health is essential to the health
- 4 of our families, our communities and our society; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths
- 6 in this Commonwealth in women between 25 and 54 years of age and
- 7 primarily affects men between 60 and 70 years of age; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Three of four cases of breast cancer arise in women
- 9 with no known risk factors; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Men are typically diagnosed at a late stage due to a
- 11 lack of awareness that men can develop the disease; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Breast cancer continues to be the most commonly
- 13 diagnosed cancer in women in the United States, regardless of
- 14 race or ethnicity; and
- 15 WHEREAS, There are more than two million breast cancer
- 16 survivors alive today in the United States; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Nearly all breast cancers can be treated
- 2 successfully if found early; and
- 3 WHEREAS, When breast cancer is found at its earliest stage,
- 4 the five-year survival rate is 100%; and
- 5 WHEREAS, One in eight women and one in 1,000 men in the
- 6 United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer during their
- 7 lifetimes; therefore be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of October 2013
- 9 as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania, applaud the
- 10 thousands of professionals and volunteers in the fight against
- 11 breast cancer and encourage all women and men to take advantage
- 12 of the early detection services available to them.