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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 6, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 21, 2015, as "Biomedical Research Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The biomedical research community in the United
4 States and especially in this Commonwealth is recognized as a
5 world leader in discoveries which promote health and the
6 treatment of disease; and

7 WHEREAS, Virtually every major medical advancement in the
8 past century has depended upon biomedical research; and

9 WHEREAS, These advances include the prevention and treatment
10 of cancer, discoveries of vaccines for the prevention of
11 measles, mumps, polio and hepatitis and medications to treat
12 high blood pressure, arthritis and mental illness among many
13 others; and

14 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has helped increase the life

1 span of people in the United States through the development of
2 vaccines, antibiotics and anti-infective drugs; and

3 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has contributed to the
4 elimination of many epidemic diseases and has helped prevent
5 numerous childhood killers in the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, Biomedical researchers are working diligently toward
7 cures for Alzheimer's disease, arthritis, acquired immune
8 deficiency syndrome, cancer, diabetes, epilepsy, heart and lung
9 diseases, mental illnesses, multiple sclerosis and countless
10 other diseases affecting millions of people in the United
11 States; and

12 WHEREAS, Biomedical research has contributed to the health
13 and well-being of animals through vaccines and has helped the
14 prospects of endangered species by reducing diseases and
15 promoting reproduction; and

16 WHEREAS, Biomedical research offers the best hope for new
17 breakthroughs in disease detection and treatment; and

18 WHEREAS, The biomedical research community in this
19 Commonwealth and throughout the United States is recognized as
20 the world leader in discovering and developing new knowledge and
21 ideas that promote better health and the treatment of disease;
22 therefore be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
24 21, 2015, as "Biomedical Research Day" in Pennsylvania in
25 recognition of the biomedical research community and its service
26 to this Commonwealth.