
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2015

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WHEELAND, BRADFORD AND MATZIE, FEBRUARY 24, 2016

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
FEBRUARY 24, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of March 2016 as "Deep Vein Thrombosis
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Deep vein thrombosis is a condition that occurs when
4 a blood clot forms in one of the large veins, which may result
5 in a fatal pulmonary embolism; and

6 WHEREAS, Deep vein thrombosis is a serious but preventable
7 medical condition; and

8 WHEREAS, Deep vein thrombosis occurs in approximately 2
9 million Americans each year; and

10 WHEREAS, Fatal pulmonary embolism causes more deaths each
11 year than breast cancer and AIDS combined; and

12 WHEREAS, Complications from deep vein thrombosis take up to
13 300,000 American lives each year; and

14 WHEREAS, Fatal pulmonary embolism may be the most common
15 preventable cause of hospital death in the United States; and

1 WHEREAS, Risk factors for deep vein thrombosis include cancer
2 and certain heart or inflammatory diseases; and

3 WHEREAS, Pulmonary embolism is the leading cause of maternal
4 death associated with childbirth; and

5 WHEREAS, According to a survey conducted by the American
6 Public Health Association, 74% of Americans are unaware of deep
7 vein thrombosis; and

8 WHEREAS, The designation of March as "Deep Vein Thrombosis
9 Awareness Month" raises public awareness about this life-
10 threatening but preventable condition; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
12 month of March 2016 as "Deep Vein Thrombosis Awareness Month" in
13 Pennsylvania; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Commonwealth officially recognize the
15 importance of raising awareness of deep vein thrombosis.