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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of February 2015 as "Turner Syndrome  
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Turner Syndrome is a noninheritable chromosomal  
4 disorder that affects one in 2,500 live female births; and

5 WHEREAS, A complete cardiac screening is an important  
6 diagnostic tool to ensure early diagnosis in girls and women;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Risk for acute aortic dissection is increased by  
9 more than a hundredfold in young and middle-aged women with  
10 Turner Syndrome; and

11 WHEREAS, Early diagnosis facilitates prevention or  
12 remediation of growth failure, hearing problems and learning  
13 difficulties; and

14 WHEREAS, Individuals with Turner Syndrome have an increased  
15 risk of a nonverbal learning disorder that can cause problems in  
16 mathematics, visual-spatial skills, executive-function skills  
17 and job retention; and

1       WHEREAS, A disproportionately small amount of funding is  
2 available for Turner Syndrome research and support; and

3       WHEREAS, With the help of medical specialists and a good  
4 social support system, females with Turner Syndrome can live a  
5 happy and healthy life; and

6       WHEREAS, The establishment of "Turner Syndrome Awareness  
7 Month" will provide the opportunity to share experience and  
8 information and raise public awareness about Turner Syndrome;  
9 therefore be it

10       RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of February  
11 2015 as "Turner Syndrome Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.