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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
FEBRUARY 5, 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of February 11 through 17, 2018, as  
2 "Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes Awareness Week" in  
3 Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, February is American Heart Month; and

5 WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)  
6 reports that cardiovascular disease is the number one killer of  
7 women and men in the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases, including heart disease and  
9 stroke, are the nation's leading cause of death and disability,  
10 with more than 1 million Americans suffering a new or recurrent  
11 coronary attack each year and more than 795,000 suffering a new  
12 or recurrent stroke; and

13 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death  
14 associated with diabetes due to complications of diabetes, such  
15 as high blood sugar, high blood pressure and obesity; and

1       WHEREAS, In the United States, two out of three deaths of  
2 people with type 2 diabetes are attributed to cardiovascular  
3 disease; and

4       WHEREAS, Findings from a recent study revealed 52% of adults  
5 living with type 2 diabetes are unaware that they are at an  
6 increased risk for developing cardiovascular disease; and

7       WHEREAS, Appropriate awareness and education about the  
8 cardiovascular risks associated with diabetes can effectively  
9 improve outcomes and reduce the overall financial burden of the  
10 illness; and

11       WHEREAS, The Department of Health and other relevant partners  
12 seek to promote awareness, education and action related to  
13 diabetes and its link to cardiovascular disease; therefore be it

14       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
15 week of February 11 through 17, 2018, as "Cardiovascular Disease  
16 and Diabetes Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania and encourage  
17 others to promote education and awareness of the connection  
18 between cardiovascular disease and diabetes.