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SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of February 2017 as "Turner Syndrome  
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Turner syndrome is a noninheritable chromosomal  
4 disorder that affects 1 in 2,500 live female births worldwide;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, A complete cardiac screening is an important  
7 diagnostic tool to ensure early diagnosis in girls and women;  
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9 WHEREAS, Risk for acute aortic dissection is increased by  
10 more than a hundredfold in young and middle-aged women with  
11 Turner syndrome; and

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

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

1 and job retention; and

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

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

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

11 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of February  
12 2017 as "Turner Syndrome Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.