
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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ROTHMAN, APRIL 8, 2019

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 8, 2019

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of April 14 through 20, 2019, as "National
2 Osteopathic Medicine Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, There are currently 102,137 osteopathic physicians
4 (DOs) in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is the nation's leader in osteopathic
6 medicine with more than 8,400 licensed DOs in this Commonwealth;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, DOs have made tremendous contributions to the
9 American health care system, including treating United States
10 presidents and Olympic athletes, serving as Surgeon General of
11 the United States Army, and sitting on nationwide health care
12 panels; and

13 WHEREAS, DOs have a strong tradition of ensuring patients in
14 all parts of the country have access to health care,
15 particularly in rural and medically underserved communities; and

16 WHEREAS, DOs practice a hands-on, whole-body approach, which

1 includes osteopathic manipulative medicine, to diagnose health
2 problems, treat dysfunctions, preserve good health and prevent
3 the spread of disease; and

4 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's osteopathic physicians are dedicated
5 to improving the health of their community through education and
6 awareness-based efforts, as well as by delivering quality health
7 care services; and

8 WHEREAS, The residents of this Commonwealth recognize the
9 need for osteopathic physicians who are committed to improving
10 the health of all Americans; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
12 week of April 14 through 20, 2019, as "National Osteopathic
13 Medicine Week" in Pennsylvania and urge all residents and
14 community organizations to support this observance by helping
15 educate residents about DOs and osteopathic medicine.