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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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MERSKI, SCHWEYER, MACKENZIE, YOUNGBLOOD, WARREN, HOWARD AND
GAINEY, JULY 8, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, JULY 8, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of June 2020 as "Cancer Survivors
2 Recognition Month" in Pennsylvania and honoring all cancer
3 survivors for their strength and courage in the face of this
4 devastating illness.

5 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society estimates that there
6 will be 1.8 million new cases of cancer diagnosed in the United
7 States in 2020; and

8 WHEREAS, As a result of advances in early detection and
9 treatment, cancer has become a curable disease for some and a
10 chronic illness for many others; and

11 WHEREAS, A cancer survivor is anyone living with a history of
12 cancer from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of
13 life; and

14 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society and the National Cancer
15 Institute estimate that 15.5 million Americans with a history of
16 cancer were alive in January 2016; and

1 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
2 reported in 2016 that there were 711,240 cancer survivors in
3 this Commonwealth; and

4 WHEREAS, A cancer survivor can be your parent, child,
5 grandparent, family member, friend, coworker or neighbor; and

6 WHEREAS, Cancer survivorship has three distinct phases:
7 living with cancer, living through cancer and living beyond
8 cancer; and

9 WHEREAS, Survivorship can be both stressful and hopeful; and

10 WHEREAS, Surviving cancer can leave a host of problems in its
11 wake; and

12 WHEREAS, Physical, emotional and financial hardships often
13 persist for years after diagnosis and treatment; and

14 WHEREAS, Many cancer survivors are deeply grateful to their
15 caregivers, family, friends, health care providers and
16 communities for their love, dedication and support as they
17 battle cancer; and

18 WHEREAS, Despite the fear, challenges and setbacks, life
19 after a cancer diagnosis can be meaningful, productive and even
20 inspiring and triumphant; therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
22 month of June 2020 as "Cancer Survivors Recognition Month" in
23 Pennsylvania in celebration of life; and be it further

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor all cancer
25 survivors and urge all residents to pause and honor those who
26 are living with a history of cancer for their strength, courage
27 and inspiration.