
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY AUMENT, PHILLIPS-HILL, BAROLOTTA, MARTIN, BROWNE,
J. WARD, DINNIMAN, TARTAGLIONE, BREWSTER, MENSCH, BAKER,
COSTA AND SABATINA, NOVEMBER 18, 2019

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, NOVEMBER 18, 2019

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the International 22q11.2 Foundation, Inc., and
2 recognizing November 22, 2019, as "22q Awareness Day" in
3 Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, The International 22q11.2 Foundation, Inc., the
5 longest-standing entity of its kind, focuses on the complex
6 needs of people with a loss of genetic material from chromosome
7 22; and

8 WHEREAS, Started by a small group of parents working with one
9 clinical expert, the foundation has faithfully pursued its
10 purpose to connect and support families, specialists and
11 researchers since 2003; and

12 WHEREAS, Through the foundation's global network and
13 alliances, other known clinical conditions such as DiGeorge
14 syndrome and velocardiofacial syndrome have been merged into one
15 named chromosomal microdeletion syndrome, 22q11.2 deletion
16 syndrome; and

17 WHEREAS, In October 2018, the American Journal of Medical
18 Genetics published papers by foundation medical advisory board

1 members in a special issue dedicated to the syndrome; and

2 WHEREAS, The foundation's cornerstone programs are "22q at
3 the Zoo Worldwide Awareness Day," "22q and Boo," "22k for 22q,"
4 "2.2 for 22q" and "22q Awareness Month"; and

5 WHEREAS, Foundation resources have reached an estimated
6 50,000 families; and

7 WHEREAS, The Senate notes the foundation's record of
8 organizing awareness campaigns, advancing research, engaging in
9 advocacy with other support groups and delivering cutting-edge
10 information to improve quality of life and coordination of care;
11 therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the Senate commend the International 22q11.2
13 Foundation, Inc., and recognize November 22, 2019, as "22q
14 Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
16 the International 22q11.2 Foundation, Inc., PO Box 532, Matawan,
17 NJ 07747.