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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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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 1,800,000 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 16.9 million Americans with a history of  
16 cancer are alive in the United States today; and

17 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society reported in 2020 that  
18 there will be an estimated 80,240 new cancer cases in this

1 Commonwealth; and

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

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

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

8 WHEREAS, Surviving cancer can leave a host of problems in its  
9 wake; and

10 WHEREAS, Physical, emotional and financial hardships often  
11 persist for years after diagnosis and treatment; and

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

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

19 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of June 2020 as  
20 "Cancer Survivors Recognition Month" in Pennsylvania in  
21 celebration of life; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the Senate honor all cancer survivors and urge  
23 all residents to pause and honor those who are living with a  
24 history of cancer for their strength, courage and inspiration.