## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, APRIL 21, 2021

## A RESOLUTION

- Recognizing the week of April 18 through 24, 2021, as "National Osteopathic Medicine Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, There are currently 145,343 osteopathic physicians
- 4 (DOs) in the United States; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is the nation's leader in osteopathic
- 6 medicine with more than 8,500 licensed DOs; and
- 7 WHEREAS, DOs have made tremendous contributions to the
- 8 American health care system, including treating United States
- 9 presidents and Olympic athletes, serving as Surgeon General of
- 10 the United States Army, serving as Physician to the President of
- 11 the United States and sitting on nationwide health care panels;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, DOs have a strong tradition of ensuring that
- 14 patients in 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
- 17 includes osteopathic manipulative medicine, to diagnose health

- 1 problems, treat dysfunctions, preserve good health and prevent
- 2 the spread of disease; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's osteopathic physicians are dedicated
- 4 to improving the health of their community through education and
- 5 awareness-based efforts, as well as delivering quality health
- 6 services; and
- 7 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth recognizes the need for
- 8 osteopathic physicians who are committed to improving the health
- 9 of all Americans; therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the week of April 18
- 11 through 24, 2021, as "National Osteopathic Medicine Week" in
- 12 Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That the Senate urge all residents and community
- 14 organizations in this Commonwealth to support this observance to
- 15 help educate individuals about DOs and osteopathic medicine.