
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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JUNE 28, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JUNE 28, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of September 2018 as "National Suicide
2 Prevention Awareness Month" and September 10, 2018, as "World
3 Suicide Prevention Day" in Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, Suicide is a major preventable cause of premature
5 death; and

6 WHEREAS, Coordinated suicide prevention is an achievable
7 global public health goal; and

8 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives notes the imperative of
9 collectively acknowledging and raising awareness that suicide is
10 preventable; and

11 WHEREAS, According to the World Health Organization, nearly
12 3,000 individuals die by suicide daily; and

13 WHEREAS, For every individual who has died by suicide, an
14 estimated 25 individuals have attempted to end their lives; and

1 WHEREAS, According to the Centers for Disease Control and
2 Prevention, suicide claims the lives of more than 1,970
3 Pennsylvanians each year; and

4 WHEREAS, Reducing suicide rates requires a worldwide response
5 to known psychosocial, cultural and environmental risk factors;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives affirms that we must
8 make every effort to improve education and awareness and
9 decrease stigmatization relating to suicide; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
11 month of September 2018 as "National Suicide Prevention
12 Awareness Month" and September 10, 2018, as "World Suicide
13 Prevention Day" in Pennsylvania.