THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, FEBRUARY 24, 2017

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of March 2017 as "Deep Vein Thrombosis Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Deep vein thrombosis is a condition that occurs when
- 4 a blood clot forms in one of the large veins in the body, which
- 5 may result in a fatal pulmonary embolism; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Deep vein thrombosis is a serious but preventable
- 7 medical condition; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Deep vein thrombosis occurs in approximately 2
- 9 million Americans each year; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Complications from deep vein thrombosis take up to
- 11 300,000 American lives each year; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Fatal pulmonary embolism causes more deaths each
- 13 year than breast cancer and AIDS combined and may be the most
- 14 common preventable cause of hospital death in the United States;
- 15 and
- 16 WHEREAS, Fatal pulmonary embolism is the leading cause of

- 1 maternal death associated with childbirth; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Risk factors for deep vein thrombosis include cancer
- 3 and certain heart or inflammatory diseases; and
- 4 WHEREAS, According to a survey conducted by the American
- 5 Public Health Association, 74% of Americans are unaware of deep
- 6 vein thrombosis; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The designation of March as "Deep Vein Thrombosis
- 8 Awareness Month" raises public awareness about this life-
- 9 threatening but preventable condition; therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 11 month of March 2017 as "Deep Vein Thrombosis Awareness Month" in
- 12 Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That the Commonwealth officially recognize the
- 14 importance of raising awareness of deep vein thrombosis.