
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of September 2018 as "Polycystic Ovarian
2 Syndrome Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Polycystic ovarian syndrome is a hormonal disorder
4 that affects approximately 5 million women in the United States;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, One of the leading causes of infertility, polycystic
7 ovarian syndrome affects approximately 1 in 10 women of child-
8 bearing age; and

9 WHEREAS, Polycystic ovarian syndrome is defined as the
10 presence of cysts on the ovaries combined with the absence of
11 ovulation; and

12 WHEREAS, While the cause of polycystic ovarian syndrome is
13 unknown, most experts believe that several factors, including
14 genetics, could play a role; and

15 WHEREAS, Polycystic ovarian syndrome can begin in the teenage
16 years with symptoms such as irregular or absent menstrual

1 periods, acne, obesity, weight gain, inability to lose weight,
2 breathing problems while sleeping, depression, oily skin,
3 infertility, skin discolorations, high cholesterol levels,
4 elevated blood pressure, excess or abnormal hair growth and
5 distribution, pain in the lower abdomen and pelvis, multiple
6 ovarian cysts and skin tags; and

7 WHEREAS, Women with polycystic ovarian syndrome have a
8 greater chance of developing several serious health conditions,
9 including life-threatening diseases such as diabetes and heart
10 disease; and

11 WHEREAS, There is no known cure for polycystic ovarian
12 syndrome; and

13 WHEREAS, By changing lifestyle habits and making small
14 changes to diet and exercise, women afflicted with the disease
15 can not only feel better, but they can also improve their
16 chances of conception; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
18 month of September 2018 as "Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome
19 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.