## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing the month of January 2015 as "Radon Awareness Month" 1 in Pennsylvania. 2 3 WHEREAS, The United States Surgeon General and a consortium of health agencies throughout the United States have joined 4 5 forces to promote awareness of the leading cause of lung cancer 6 for nonsmokers; and 7 WHEREAS, The American Lung Association, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Cancer Institute 8 all agree that radon is a national health problem and encourage 9 10 radon testing of housing during an awareness drive this January; 11 and 12 WHEREAS, Radon is a naturally occurring, invisible and 13 odorless radioactive gas not isolated to certain geographical areas or housing types, and radon problems have been detected in 14 15 homes in every county in the United States; and

1 WHEREAS, One in 15 American homes contains high levels of 2 radon, exposing millions of Americans to this dangerous gas, and 3 radon caused more American fatalities last year than carbon 4 monoxide, fires and handguns combined; and

5 WHEREAS, If a home has not been tested for radon in the past 6 two years, the Surgeon General and the Environmental Protection 7 Agency urge household residents to locate a qualified radon test 8 kit or a qualified radon testing company and test their 9 residence for radon; and

10 WHEREAS, The month of January 2015 has been targeted as Radon 11 Awareness Month nationally, and educational information about 12 radon may be obtained at www.RadonWeek.org; therefore be it 13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the 14 month of January 2015 as "Radon Awareness Month" in 15 Pennsylvania.