THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 211 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY BIZZARRO, RAVENSTAHL, COHEN, KIM, THOMAS, READSHAW, KINSEY, KILLION, DAVIS, MURT, CRUZ, SCHLOSSBERG, BURNS, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, MILLARD, J. HARRIS, BARRAR, PICKETT, CALTAGIRONE, BISHOP, MCNEILL, BAKER, D. COSTA, V. BROWN, MACKENZIE, SONNEY, DUSH, BENNINGHOFF, LONGIETTI, KIRKLAND, DiGIROLAMO, FARINA, DRISCOLL, BROWNLEE, WHEELAND, DONATUCCI, MARSICO, MAJOR, BOBACK, SCHLEGEL CULVER, A. HARRIS, GOODMAN, ROSS, PAYNE, SCHWEYER, GIBBONS, GILLEN, GABLER, MAHONEY, MCCARTER AND SABATINA, APRIL 6, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 6, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 2	Recognizing the month of November 2015 as "National Epilepsy Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, Epilepsy is a neurological condition sometimes
4	referred to as a seizure disorder and is characterized by
5	recurring seizures; and
6	WHEREAS, As the third most common neurological disorder in
7	the United States, following stroke and Alzheimer's disease,
8	epilepsy affects 5 million Americans of all ages; and
9	WHEREAS, Approximately 200,000 new cases of epilepsy occur
10	each year, most often in young children or senior citizens; and
11	WHEREAS, One in twenty-six people will develop epilepsy in
12	his or her lifetime; and
13	WHEREAS, Up to 50,000 Americans die each year from seizures
14	and related causes, including sudden unexplained death in

1 epilepsy; and

2 WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation in Pennsylvania leads the 3 fight to stop seizures, find a cure and overcome the challenges 4 created by epilepsy; and

5 WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation in Pennsylvania is dedicated to ensuring that all people with seizures and epilepsy are able 6 to participate in all of life's experiences; and 7 8 WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation in Pennsylvania has been 9 serving the needs of Pennsylvanians who live with seizures, in 10 partnership with the Department of Health, since 1994; and WHEREAS, The prevention and control of epilepsy can be 11 12 achieved through community education and awareness programs;

13 therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the 15 month of November 2015 as "National Epilepsy Awareness Month" in 16 Pennsylvania.