

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 240 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY QUINN, BAKER, BISHOP, BOBACK, BROWNLEE, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, COHEN, CORBIN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DAVIS, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, DUSH, FABRIZIO, FEE, GIBBONS, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRELL, GROVE, HARHART, HENNESSEY, JAMES, W. KELLER, KILLION, KIM, KINSEY, KIRKLAND, KOTIK, LONGIETTI, MAHONEY, MAJOR, MARSICO, McCARTER, McNEILL, MILLARD, MURT, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PICKETT, READSHAW, ROSS, ROZZI, SABATINA, SCHLOSSBERG, SCHWEYER, SONNEY, THOMAS, WARD, WATSON, WHEELAND AND YOUNGBLOOD, APRIL 10, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 10, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of April 2015 as "Polio Awareness Month"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Polio survivors experience post-polio syndrome
4 (PPS), the unexpected and often disabling symptoms include
5 overwhelming fatigue, muscle weakness, muscle and joint pain,
6 sleep disorders, heightened sensitivity to anesthesia and pain,
7 cold intolerance and difficulty swallowing and breathing; and

8 WHEREAS, These disabling symptoms often occur after the acute
9 poliovirus infection; and

10 WHEREAS, PPS can be managed and even prevented if polio
11 survivors conserve their energy, which reduces their number of
12 remaining poliovirus damaged neurons and weakened muscle joints;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Air travel makes all Americans vulnerable to

1 infection by an imported poliovirus and, because of this risk,
2 all Americans must continue to be vaccinated; therefore be it
3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
4 month of April 2015 as "Polio Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.