
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 299 Session of
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, JANUARY 31, 2024

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of April 2024 as "Limb Loss Awareness
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, More than 2 million Americans of all ages, races and
4 genders have had amputations, and another 28 million Americans
5 are at risk for amputation; and

6 WHEREAS, Each day, more than 300 Americans lose a limb; and

7 WHEREAS, Limb loss is a lifetime condition, and the general
8 public is largely unaware of the many challenges faced by the
9 amputee community; and

10 WHEREAS, Limb loss can result in emotional, physical and
11 financial stress; and

12 WHEREAS, The leading causes of amputation are vascular
13 disease, trauma and cancer; and

14 WHEREAS, Prosthetic devices can be quite costly and often
15 need to be replaced every few years; and

16 WHEREAS, Individuals afflicted with limb loss must overcome
17 many challenges; and

1 WHEREAS, The physical effects of limb loss may be the most
2 visible, but many times the emotional difficulties surpass the
3 physical impediments; therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
5 month of April 2024 as "Limb Loss Awareness Month" in
6 Pennsylvania; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
8 Pennsylvanians to recognize the importance of this month,
9 celebrate individuals with limb loss who are living full and
10 productive lives, express gratitude to caregivers who are a
11 source of support and motivation and salute combat amputees who
12 have lost their limbs in service to our country.