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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 820 Session of  
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APRIL 29, 2014

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing May 15, 2014, as "Measure Up/Pressure Down National  
2 Day of Action: Roll Up Your Sleeves!" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, One in three adults, 68,000,000, in the United  
4 States suffers from high blood pressure or hypertension; and

5 WHEREAS, Those with high blood pressure or hypertension are  
6 at an increased risk for heart disease and stroke, two of the  
7 leading causes of death in the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, Nationally, only half of all patients with high  
9 blood pressure or hypertension have their condition under  
10 control; and

11 WHEREAS, The American Medical Group Foundation (AMGF) created  
12 a three-year national campaign entitled "Measure Up/Pressure  
13 Down" to help patients reduce the burden of high blood pressure  
14 or hypertension; and

15 WHEREAS, The Measure Up/Pressure Down campaign strives to

1 raise awareness and achieve lasting improvements in blood  
2 pressure control for all Americans; and

3 WHEREAS, Medical practices that are members of the AMGF are  
4 utilizing this campaign to work together to raise awareness  
5 among patients, employers and communities about the dangers of  
6 uncontrolled high blood pressure or hypertension; and

7 WHEREAS, Increased control will result in a reduction in  
8 strokes, heart attacks and deaths related to high blood pressure  
9 or hypertension; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize May 15,  
11 2014, as "Measure Up/Pressure Down National Day of Action: Roll  
12 Up Your Sleeves!" in Pennsylvania to increase awareness of high  
13 blood pressure and hypertension and encourage patients to take  
14 control of these medical conditions.