THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of April 2018 as "Polio Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Polio survivors experience post-polio syndrome
- 4 (PPS), the unexpected and often disabling symptoms include
- 5 overwhelming fatique, 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
- 15 infection by an imported poliovirus and, because of this risk,

- 1 all Americans must continue to be vaccinated; therefore be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 3 month of April 2018 as "Polio Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.