THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 306 Session of 2022

INTRODUCED BY CORMAN, BREWSTER, ARGALL, AUMENT, BAKER, BARTOLOTTA, BOSCOLA, BROOKS, BROWNE, CAPPELLETTI, COLLETT, COMITTA, COSTA, DISANTO, DUSH, FLYNN, FONTANA, GEBHARD, HAYWOOD, HUGHES, HUTCHINSON, KANE, KEARNEY, LANGERHOLC, LAUGHLIN, MARTIN, MENSCH, MUTH, PHILLIPS-HILL, PITTMAN, REGAN, ROBINSON, SANTARSIERO, SCAVELLO, SCHWANK, STEFANO, TARTAGLIONE, TOMLINSON, VOGEL, J. WARD, K. WARD, A. WILLIAMS, L. WILLIAMS AND YUDICHAK, JUNE 3, 2022

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, JUNE 3, 2022

A RESOLUTION

Designating the month of June 2022 as "Cancer Survivors 1 Recognition Month" in Pennsylvania and honoring all cancer 2 survivors for their strength and courage in the face of this 3 4 devastating illness. WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society estimates that there 5 will be 1,918,030 new cases of cancer diagnosed in the United 6 States in 2022; and 7 8 WHEREAS, As a result of advances in early detection and treatment, cancer has become a curable disease for some and a 9 10 chronic illness for many others; and 11 WHEREAS, A cancer survivor is anyone living with a history of 12 cancer from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of 13 life; and WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society and the National Cancer 14 Institute estimate that more than 16.9 million Americans with a 15 history of invasive cancer were alive in the United States on 16

1 January 1, 2019; and

2 WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society reported in 2022 that 3 there will be an estimated 85,110 new cancer cases in this 4 Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, A cancer survivor can be your parent, child, 6 grandparent, family member, friend, neighbor or colleague; and 7 WHEREAS, Cancer survivorship has three distinct phases: 8 living with cancer, living through cancer and living beyond 9 cancer; and

10 WHEREAS, Survivorship can be both stressful and hopeful; and 11 WHEREAS, Surviving cancer can leave a host of problems in its 12 wake; and

WHEREAS, Physical, emotional and financial hardships often persist for years after diagnosis and treatment; and WHEREAS, Many cancer survivors are deeply grateful to their caregivers, family, friends, health care providers and communities for their love, dedication and support as they battle cancer; and

19 WHEREAS, Despite the fear, challenges and setbacks, life 20 after a cancer diagnosis can be meaningful, productive and even 21 inspiring and triumphant; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of June 2022 23 as "Cancer Survivors Recognition Month" in Pennsylvania in 24 celebration of life; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the Senate honor all cancer survivors and urge 26 all residents to pause and honor those who are living with a 27 history of cancer for their strength, courage and inspiration.

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