

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 390 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY MATZIE, GIRAL, HILL-EVANS, WEBSTER, KINSEY,
SCHMITT, NEILSON, McNEILL, SCHLOSSBERG, HANBIDGE, MALAGARI,
SANCHEZ, HADDOCK, KHAN, CERRATO, BOROWSKI, DALEY AND CONKLIN,
APRIL 10, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, APRIL 10, 2024

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing May 7, 2024, as "World Asthma Day" in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute
3 defines asthma as a chronic lung disease that inflames and
4 narrows the airways, resulting in recurring periods of wheezing,
5 chest tightness, shortness of breath and chronic coughing; and

6 WHEREAS, Approximately 25 million, or 1 in 12, individuals in
7 the United States are known to have asthma; and

8 WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
9 reported that an estimated 1 million adults and an estimated
10 300,000 children in Pennsylvania suffer from asthma; and

11 WHEREAS, There is no known cure for asthma, but once asthma
12 is properly diagnosed and a treatment plan is implemented,
13 individuals are able to better manage symptoms and improve their
14 quality of life; and

15 WHEREAS, In an effort to raise awareness about asthma and
16 improve asthma care throughout the world, health care groups,

1 asthma educators, patients and advocates annually celebrate the
2 first Tuesday of May as "World Asthma Day"; and

3 WHEREAS, This day encourages individuals to focus on daily
4 management and ongoing education of asthma and to identify
5 allergens and irritants that can lead to and worsen asthma
6 attacks; and

7 WHEREAS, Individuals who participate in "World Asthma Day"
8 use this occasion as an opportunity to organize and participate
9 in local events, screenings and group discussions to become more
10 knowledgeable about asthma control; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize May 7,
12 2024, as "World Asthma Day" in Pennsylvania and encourage all
13 residents of this Commonwealth to work together to help all
14 Pennsylvanians living with asthma control their symptoms.