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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY MATZIE, VENKAT, SCHLOSSBERG, McNEILL, BRENNAN,  
SANCHEZ, MADDEN, KINSEY, KHAN, FREEMAN, HILL-EVANS,  
PISCIOTTANO, HADDOCK, NEILSON AND PARKER, MAY 2, 2023

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, MAY 2, 2023

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing May 2, 2023, 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 21 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 suffered from asthma in 2020;  
11 and

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

16 WHEREAS, In an effort to raise awareness about asthma and  
17 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 2,  
12 2023, as "World Asthma Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all  
14 residents of this Commonwealth to work together to help all  
15 Pennsylvanians living with asthma control their symptoms.