
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of May 2015 as "Preeclampsia Awareness
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Preeclampsia, HELLP syndrome and eclampsia are
4 dangerous conditions of pregnancy that can, in their severest
5 forms, lead to maternal or infant mortality or premature birth
6 with significant health risks for the mother and baby; and

7 WHEREAS, As many as 320,000 cases of preeclampsia are
8 diagnosed in America every year, with approximately 25%
9 resulting in severe, life-threatening consequences to a pregnant
10 woman and her baby; and

11 WHEREAS, Public education as to the signs and symptoms of
12 preeclampsia, HELLP syndrome and eclampsia can help women
13 recognize the conditions and seek appropriate medical care; and

14 WHEREAS, Prenatal education should include recognition of
15 signs and symptoms that include spikes in maternal blood
16 pressure, sudden swelling of the face and hands, severe upper
17 abdominal pain, blurred vision, persistent headaches and

1 breathlessness; and

2 WHEREAS, Many residents of this Commonwealth have joined with
3 the Preeclampsia Foundation to raise public awareness in order
4 to minimize maternal and infant illness and death due to
5 preeclampsia; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of May 2015 as
7 "Preeclampsia Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania and commend
8 organizations such as the Preeclampsia Foundation in addressing
9 this public health issue.