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SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of April 2013 as "Hemophilia Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Hemophilia is a genetic disorder that impairs the
- 4 body's ability to control bleeding; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Hemophilia is defined as excessive, uncontrollable
- 6 bleeding because of a missing or low-level clotting factor in
- 7 the blood; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Bleeding may occur even when there is no injury and
- 9 most often occurs in the joints and in the head; and
- 10 WHEREAS, More than 20,000 United States citizens have been
- 11 diagnosed with hemophilia, and each year approximately 400
- 12 babies are born with the disorder; and
- 13 WHEREAS, One thousand seven hundred and sixty citizens of
- 14 this Commonwealth are living with hemophilia; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Hemophilia affects males almost exclusively and is
- 16 found in all populations; and

- 1 WHEREAS, There is no cure for hemophilia, a lifelong
- 2 condition that must be controlled with intravenous infusion of
- 3 factor replacement therapies; therefore be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of April 2013
- 5 as "Hemophilia Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.