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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the month of March 2019 as "Eye Donor Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Eye donation allows for the restoration of sight to
- 4 recipients whose vision has been affected by injury, disease or
- 5 infection; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Corneal transplant is one of the most frequently
- 7 performed human tissue transplant procedures; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Since 1961, more than 1 million corneal transplants
- 9 have been performed in the United States, restoring sight to
- 10 men, women and children ranging from 9 days of age to 103 years
- 11 of age; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Corneal transplant has a success rate of more than
- 13 95%; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Eye donation follows the same process as organ
- 15 donation, and there are very few restrictions on who may donate;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, The transplant process depends solely on the

- 1 selfless act of eye donation, as there is no substitute for
- 2 human cornea tissue; therefore be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of March 2019
- 4 as "Eye Donor Month" in Pennsylvania.