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A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of March 2019 as "Endometriosis Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The purpose of "Endometriosis Awareness Month" is to
- 4 raise awareness about a disease that affects an estimated 200
- 5 million women around the world; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Endometriosis affects 15.5 million women in the
- 7 United States and is most common among women in their 30s and
- 8 40s; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The disease can have a vital effect on the quality
- 10 of life due to its painful symptoms, as well as have immense
- 11 personal and societal costs; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Endometriosis happens when the lining of the uterus,
- 13 or womb, grows outside of the uterus; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The misplaced tissue can cause a variety of
- 15 problems, but not all women have symptoms, which is why it is
- 16 important to receive an annual Pap test; and
- 17 WHEREAS, While the cause of endometriosis is unknown, pain

- 1 medications and hormones can help, and surgery may be an option
- 2 in severe cases; and
- 3 WHEREAS, There are treatments to improve fertility in women
- 4 who have been diagnosed with the disease, as endometriosis does
- 5 not always mean that a woman may not be able to carry a child;
- 6 therefore be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of March 2019
- 8 as "Endometriosis Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.