
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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APRIL 28, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 28, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 12, 2015, as "Fibromyalgia Awareness Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Fibromyalgia is a chronic condition characterized by
4 lasting, debilitating patterns of pain, including tender point,
5 aching and referred pain; and

6 WHEREAS, Sleep disturbances and mood disorders are often
7 associated with fibromyalgia; and

8 WHEREAS, Effective treatment plans employ a combination of
9 medications, nondrug therapies such as massage and nutrition and
10 self-help strategies related to energy conservation, stress
11 reduction and sleep improvement; and

12 WHEREAS, These and other interventions require appropriate
13 diagnosis and continuity of care by medical providers; and

1 WHEREAS, Support, advocacy, education and research are
2 essential for fibromyalgia patients and their supporters; and

3 WHEREAS, The National Fibromyalgia & Chronic Pain Association
4 is recognized globally as a leading charitable organization for
5 the benefit of affected individuals and their supporters; and

6 WHEREAS, "National Fibromyalgia Awareness Day," observed May
7 12 each year, enables these individuals to make their collective
8 voice heard by the medical community and the community at large;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, "Your Voice Matters" is the theme of the 2015
11 "National Fibromyalgia Awareness Day" observance; therefore be
12 it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 12,
14 2015, as "Fibromyalgia Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.