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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 23, 2015, as "World Polio Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Rotary International, founded on February 23, 1905,  
4 in Chicago, Illinois, is the world's first and one of the  
5 largest nonprofit service organizations; and

6 WHEREAS, In 1985, Rotary International launched Polioplus and  
7 spearheaded the Global Polio Eradication Initiative with the  
8 World Health Organization, the United States Centers for Disease  
9 Control and Prevention and the United Nations Children's Fund to  
10 immunize the children of the world against polio; and

11 WHEREAS, Polio cases have dropped by 99% since 1988 and the  
12 world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease; and

13 WHEREAS, Rotary International has contributed more than \$1  
14 billion and countless volunteer hours for the protection of more

1    than 2 billion children in 122 countries; and

2           WHEREAS, These efforts are providing much needed operational  
3   support, medical personnel, laboratory equipment and educational  
4   materials for health workers and parents; and

5           WHEREAS, Rotary International has played a major role in  
6   decisions by donor governments to contribute \$8 billion to the  
7   effort; and

8           WHEREAS, The 12,147 Pennsylvanian Rotarians in 369 Rotary  
9   clubs throughout this Commonwealth continue to sponsor service  
10  projects to address such critical issues as poverty, health,  
11  hunger, illiteracy and the environment in their local  
12  communities and abroad; therefore be it

13          RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October  
14   23, 2015, as "World Polio Day" in Pennsylvania and encourage all  
15   residents to join in the fight for a polio-free world.