

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION

No. 126

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Sponsored by:

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SYNOPSIS

Designates November of each year as “Pulmonary Hypertension Awareness Month.”

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 **A JOINT RESOLUTION** designating November of each year as
2 “Pulmonary Hypertension Awareness Month” in New Jersey.

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4 **WHEREAS**, The health of the residents of our State is the foundation
5 for a caring and productive society; our future rests with our ability
6 to find cures for, and adequately treat individuals who are afflicted
7 with, a variety of illnesses, including pulmonary hypertension; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Pulmonary hypertension is a rare disorder that causes
9 intolerable blood pressure levels in the arteries between the lungs
10 and heart; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Historically, pulmonary hypertension has been a chronic
12 and incurable disorder, with a poor survival rate; however, early
13 diagnosis can lead to early treatment and the possibility of an
14 improved quality of life as well as a prolonged one; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Education about pulmonary hypertension can lead to early
16 diagnosis, and funding for research can help find a cure; and

17 **WHEREAS**, The Pulmonary Hypertension Association is a nonprofit
18 organization that is dedicated to improving the quality of life for
19 those with pulmonary hypertension, by promoting education,
20 awareness, and research for pulmonary hypertension and providing
21 member services and patient and family support; and

22 **WHEREAS**, It is appropriate for the State to increase awareness of the
23 seriousness of pulmonary hypertension, the need for research to
24 find a cure for pulmonary hypertension, and the noble efforts of the
25 Pulmonary Hypertension Association to improve the lives of those
26 suffering from this disorder that can affect every aspect of life;
27 now, therefore,

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29 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*
30 *State of New Jersey:*

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32 1. The month of November of each year is designated as
33 “Pulmonary Hypertension Awareness Month” in New Jersey.

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35 2. The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation calling
36 upon public officials and the citizens of the State to recognize the
37 seriousness of pulmonary hypertension and the meritorious work of
38 the Pulmonary Hypertension Association to find a cure for this
39 disorder.

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41 3. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

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44 **STATEMENT**

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