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DELAWARE STATE SENATE 152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 182

WHEREAS, "National Men's Health Week" was established in 1994 to develop a national men's health

DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF JUNE 10-16, 2024, AS "NATIONAL MEN'S HEALTH WEEK" IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

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2 awareness period as a special campaign to help educate men, boys, and their families about the importance of positive 3 health attitudes and preventative health practices; and 4 WHEREAS, National Men's Health Week is celebrated each June by hundreds of states, cities, localities, public 5 health departments, health care entities, churches, and community organizations throughout the Nation to promote health 6 awareness events focused on men's health; and 7 WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of five years 8 less than women with Native American and African American men having the lowest life expectancy; and 9 WHEREAS, each year, thousands of men die from heart disease; prostate, testicular, colon, and other cancers; 10 diabetes; and other health problems; and 11 WHEREAS, warning signs of these illnesses in their early stages can be detected through preventative health 12 exams and tests, allowing for appropriate forms of treatment that can possibly extended many lives; and 13 WHEREAS, Mental Health America reports 6 million men are affected by depression in the United States every 14 single year; depression and suicide are ranked as a leading cause of death among men, and yet they're still far less likely to 15 seek mental health treatment than women; and 16 WHEREAS, the purpose of Men's Health Week is to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and 17 encourage early detection and treatment of disease among men and boys; and 18 WHEREAS, the Men's Health Week website has been established at www.MensHealthWeek.org and features 19 resources and information about awareness events and activities, including Wear Blue for Men's Health. 20 NOW, THEREFORE:

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- BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the 152^{nd} General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the House of
- Representatives concurring therein, that the week of June 10-16, 2024, be designated as "National Men's Health Week" in
- the State of Delaware.
- 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Delawareans embrace Men's Health Week 2024 as a time to raise awareness,
- 25 foster open conversations, and empower men to take control of their physical and mental well-being.

SYNOPSIS

This Senate Concurrent Resolution designates the week of June 10-16, 2024, as "National Men's Health Week" in the State of Delaware.

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