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To enact section 5.2279 of the Revised Code to 1
designate the calendar week including the 2
seventeenth day of July as "Congenital 3
Diaphragmatic Hernia Week." 4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 5.2279 of the Revised Code be enacted 5
to read as follows: 6

Sec. 5.2279. The calendar week including the seventeenth day 7
of July is designated as "Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Week." 8

Section 2. In enacting section 5.2279 of the Revised Code, it 9
is the intent of the General Assembly to increase public awareness 10
and understanding of congenital diaphragmatic hernias. The General 11
Assembly considers it vitally important that the state designate 12
the calendar week including the seventeenth of July as "Congenital 13
Diaphragmatic Hernia Week." According to CHERUBS - The Association 14
of Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Research, Awareness and 15
Support, a congenital diaphragmatic hernia (CDH) occurs when the 16
diaphragm fails to form fully, which allows the abdominal organs 17
to move into the chest cavity and prevents lung growth. CDH occurs 18

in 1,600 babies every year in the United States. The state 19
encourages and commends private efforts, including those of 20
CHERUBS, to enhance funding for CDH research, provide educational 21
materials and programs, and create a support network for families 22
affected by this devastating birth defect. 23