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Senator Schuler

Cosponsors: Senators Fedor, Miller, D., Morano, Sawyer

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate the month of March 2009 as "Deep-Vein
Thrombosis Awareness Month." 1
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**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, The members of the 128th General Assembly of Ohio 3
are pleased to designate the month of March 2009 as "Deep-Vein 4
Thrombosis Awareness Month" in Ohio in memory of journalist David 5
Bloom; and 6

WHEREAS, Deep-vein thrombosis is a condition that occurs when 7
a blood clot forms in one of the large veins, which may result in 8
a fatal pulmonary embolism; and 9

WHEREAS, Deep-vein thrombosis is a serious but preventable 10
medical condition; and 11

WHEREAS, Deep-vein thrombosis affects approximately two 12
million Americans each year; and 13

WHEREAS, Fatal pulmonary embolism causes more deaths each 14
year than breast cancer and AIDS combined; and 15

WHEREAS, Complications from deep-vein thrombosis take up to 16
two hundred thousand American lives each year; and 17

WHEREAS, Fatal pulmonary embolism may be the most common 18
preventable cause of hospital death in the United States; and 19

WHEREAS, Risk factors for deep-vein thrombosis include cancer 20
and certain heart or respiratory diseases; and 21

WHEREAS, Pulmonary embolism is the leading cause of maternal 22
death associated with childbirth; and 23

WHEREAS, According to a survey conducted by the American 24
Public Health Association, seventy-four per cent of Americans are 25
unaware of deep-vein thrombosis; and 26

WHEREAS, National Broadcasting Company correspondent David 27
Bloom died of a fatal pulmonary embolism while covering the war in 28
Iraq; and 29

WHEREAS, Melanie Bloom, widow of David Bloom, and more than 30
fifty members of the Coalition to Prevent Deep-Vein Thrombosis are 31
working to raise awareness of this silent killer; and 32

WHEREAS, The designation of March 2009 as "Deep-Vein 33
Thrombosis Awareness Month" in memory of David Bloom will raise 34
public awareness about this life-threatening but preventable 35
condition; now therefore be it 36

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 128th General Assembly 37
of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, designate March 2009 as 38
"Deep-Vein Thrombosis Awareness Month" in Ohio to honor the memory 39
of David Bloom; and be it further 40

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 128th General Assembly 41
of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, recognize the importance of 42
raising awareness of deep-vein thrombosis; and be it further 43

RESOLVED, That the clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 44
authenticated copy of this resolution to the Coalition to Prevent 45
Deep-Vein Thrombosis. 46