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# Memorandum

**To:** All Members of the House of Representatives  
**From:** Representative Robert F. Matzie  
**Date:** January 9, 2013  
**Re:** Request for Co-Sponsorship: Pennsylvanians with Disabilities Day

I will soon introduce a resolution urging the Governor to issue a proclamation on January 30, 2013 to observe Pennsylvanians with Disabilities Day. Further, the resolution would request the Governor to appoint a committee to investigate and recommend how the Commonwealth can best commemorate Pennsylvanians with Disabilities Day on an annual basis and recognize residents with disabilities who have distinguished themselves and the Commonwealth in the spirit of the last President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

For your information, the Act of May 26, 1988(P.L.. 413, No.11) initially designated January 30 in Pennsylvania as the day of the disabled. Additionally, the Act of June, 2 1993, amended that the previous act to designate January 30, Franklin Delano Roosevelt's birthday, as Pennsylvanians with Disabilities Day. The current law does not establish any actions by the Commonwealth to properly observe the holiday.

Approval for the resolution and further action by the Governor in setting up a committee would establish an efficient process to receive recommendations for amending the law so that the Commonwealth can best commemorate Pennsylvanians with Disabilities Day.

Please contact Keontay Hodge in my office at 717-787-4444 or at [khodge@pahouse.net](mailto:khodge@pahouse.net) if you wish to co-sponsor the resolution or if you have any questions and/or concerns. Thanking you in advance.