

# House Resolution 111 - Introduced

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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
1 2 BY SMITH and UPMEYER  
1 3 A Resolution recognizing the month of March 2008 as  
1 4 Deep Vein Thrombosis Awareness Month.  
1 5 WHEREAS, deep vein thrombosis is a condition that  
1 6 occurs when a blood clot forms in one of the large  
1 7 veins, which leads to partially or completely blocked  
1 8 circulation and may result in a fatal pulmonary  
1 9 embolism; and  
1 10 WHEREAS, deep vein thrombosis is a serious but  
1 11 preventable medical condition; and  
1 12 WHEREAS, deep vein thrombosis occurs in  
1 13 approximately two million Americans every year; and  
1 14 WHEREAS, fatal pulmonary embolism causes more  
1 15 deaths each year than breast cancer and AIDS combined;  
1 16 and  
1 17 WHEREAS, complications from deep vein thrombosis  
1 18 take up to 300,000 American lives each year; and  
1 19 WHEREAS, fatal pulmonary embolism may be the most  
1 20 common preventable cause of hospital death in the  
1 21 United States; and  
1 22 WHEREAS, the risk factors for deep vein thrombosis  
1 23 include cancer and certain heart or respiratory  
1 24 diseases; and  
1 25 WHEREAS, pulmonary embolism is the leading cause of  
1 26 maternal death associated with childbirth; and  
1 27 WHEREAS, according to a survey conducted by the  
1 28 American Public Health Association, 74 percent of  
1 29 Americans are unaware of deep vein thrombosis; NOW  
1 30 THEREFORE,  
2 1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
2 2 That the House of Representatives acknowledges the  
2 3 critical importance of raising public awareness of the  
2 4 threat and causes of this deadly disease, and for that  
2 5 purpose recognizes the month of March 2008 as Deep  
2 6 Vein Thrombosis Awareness Month.  
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