## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Declaring the week of April 29 through May 5, 2001, as "Persons with Disabilities Employment Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives finds that persons with
- 4 disabilities have the highest unemployment rate in this
- 5 Commonwealth; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives finds that there are
- 7 more than 300,000 Pennsylvanians with disabilities of working
- 8 age and that 220,000 are unemployed, creating a 73% unemployment
- 9 rate for this population; and
- 10 WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Commonwealth to encourage

- 1 and assist individuals who are blind or have other severe
- 2 disabilities to achieve maximum independence through productive
- 3 and gainful employment; and
- 4 WHEREAS, It is clear that providing work opportunities for
- 5 persons with disabilities benefits both individuals with
- 6 disabilities and society as a whole by allowing individuals with
- 7 disabilities to become contributors to the State and local
- 8 economy; therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare April 29
- 10 through May 5, 2001, as "Persons with Disabilities Employment
- 11 Week" in Pennsylvania.