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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 17, 2007, as "Harrisburg FIRST Robotics Day"  
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of  
4 Science and Technology) Robotics Competition is a nationwide  
5 engineering contest that teams high school students from all 50  
6 states and internationally as well, with engineers from business  
7 and universities; and

8 WHEREAS, Now in its 18th year, the FIRST Robotics Competition  
9 challenges teams of students and their mentors to solve a common  
10 engineering design problem in a six-week time frame; and

11 WHEREAS, FIRST Robotics gives students a hands-on, inside  
12 look at engineering while putting their science and technology  
13 skills to practical use; and

14 WHEREAS, FIRST Robotics motivates young people to pursue  
15 education and career opportunities in science, technology,

1 engineering and mathematics while building self-confidence,  
2 knowledge and life skills; and

3 WHEREAS, FIRST Robotics has already established successful  
4 programs in both the Philadelphia and Pittsburgh regions; and

5 WHEREAS, October 17, 2007, will be the initial start of FIRST  
6 Robotics in the Harrisburg area; therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October  
8 17, 2007, as "Harrisburg FIRST Robotics Day" in Pennsylvania.