## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 27, 2000

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating September 2000 as "Pan-African Studies Community
- 2 Education Program Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, In 1979 Annie Deloris Hyman, a graduate of Temple
- 4 University and a North Philadelphia community activist,
- 5 established the Pan-African Studies Community Education Program
- 6 (PASCEP) within Temple University's Pan-African Studies
- 7 Department; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Prior to coming into the Temple University campus,
- 9 the community education program held classes in community
- 10 centers, schools and churches, with university faculty
- 11 volunteering their time to teach the classes; and
- 12 WHEREAS, PASCEP's goal is to bring the university's
- 13 facilities and resources to the community by providing free GED
- 14 classes, computer education and repair classes, adult classes
- 15 for reading and writing, tutoring for students who may need
- 16 additional support in math and English, community outreach to
- 17 inmates of Graterford Prison, continuing enrichment classes in

- 1 ethnic cultural subjects and workshops on ethnic cultures; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Currently the vast majority of PASCEP's courses are
- 3 taught by volunteer instructors from the community whose purpose
- 4 is to give back to others what was given to them in knowledge,
- 5 skills, inspiration and example; therefore be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate
- 7 September 2000 as "Pan-African Studies Community Education
- 8 Program Month" in Pennsylvania.