
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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OCTOBER 2, 2002

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 2, 2002

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Governor to proclaim October 9, 2002, as "Emergency
2 Nurses Day" in Pennsylvania; and urging all citizens of this
3 Commonwealth to join in its observance.

4 WHEREAS, October 9, 2002, has been designated as "National
5 Emergency Nurses Day"; and

6 WHEREAS, Emergency nurses are an extremely vital part of the
7 health care and emergency medical care delivery systems in this
8 Commonwealth; and

9 WHEREAS, Emergency nurses are committed to providing quality
10 emergency care; and

11 WHEREAS, Emergency nurses have demonstrated their

1 professionalism and continually strive to upgrade standards of
2 practice and improve services; and

3 WHEREAS, Emergency nurses practice in a variety of settings,
4 including rural and urban hospitals, trauma centers, clinics,
5 health maintenance organizations, industrial institutions,
6 military settings, ambulatory centers and aeromedical and ground
7 transport vehicles; and

8 WHEREAS, There are several subspecialties of emergency
9 nursing, including pediatrics, trauma management, prehospital
10 care, military, rural aeromedical and trauma; and

11 WHEREAS, The collaboration of emergency nurses is also sought
12 for educational programs, disaster planning, organ and tissue
13 procurement, injury prevention campaigns and prehospital care;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Approximately 45% of all emergency nurses work in
16 hospitals and there are more than 4,700 hospital-based emergency
17 departments and more than 90,000 emergency nurses in this
18 country; and

19 WHEREAS, It is fitting to join the national observance
20 recognizing these dedicated people; therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the Governor
22 to proclaim October 9, 2002, as "Emergency Nurses Day" in
23 Pennsylvania; and be it further

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all citizens
25 of this Commonwealth to join in its observance; and be it
26 further

27 RESOLVED, That before October 9, 2002, a copy of this
28 resolution be transmitted to Governor Mark Schweiker.