## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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In the House of Representatives, September 30, 1982

- 1 WHEREAS, The Department of Health and Human Services
- 2 estimates that from 1.3 million to 1.8 million children
- 3 disappear from their homes each year; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Approximately 50,000 of these missing children are
- 5 not runaways but have been abducted by adults who want children
- 6 of their own or who use them for illicit purposes; and
- WHEREAS, Between 4,000 to 8,000 of these children are later
- 8 found dead; and
- 9 WHEREAS, A major problem in locating missing children is a
- 10 lack of coordination between law enforcement agencies; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives should endeavor to
- 12 heighten the awareness of the general public to the problem of
- 13 missing children and to assist law enforcement agencies in their
- 14 search to recover missing children; therefore be it
- 15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 16 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania proclaim May 25, 1983 as Missing

- 1 Children's Day; and be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 3 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania encourages all members of the
- 4 Pennsylvania Congressional delegation to enact legislation which
- 5 would expand the use of the FBI's National Crime Information
- 6 Center computer system to establish a national clearinghouse for
- 7 information that would assist Federal, state and local officials
- 8 in identifying unidentified missing children; and be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
- 10 Representatives be directed to transmit copies of this
- 11 resolution to the Governor of the Commonwealth and to each
- 12 member of Congress from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.