## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 24, 1995

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Proclaiming the week of May 7 through 13, 1995, as "MADD Week" 2 in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Drivers and pedestrians impaired by alcohol and
- 4 other drugs account for nearly 17,500 highway deaths annually;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Motor vehicle crashes are the number one cause of
- 7 death for children, adolescents and young adults in the United
- 8 States; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Alcohol is involved in nearly half of all traffic
- 10 fatalities; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Injury and property damage resulting from alcohol-

- 1 impaired driving cause physical, emotional and economic hardship
- 2 for hundreds of thousands of adults and young people; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Health care costs resulting from motor vehicle
- 4 injuries cost American society over \$14 billion a year. Thirty-
- 5 five thousand dollars can be saved in health care costs alone
- 6 for each serious injury that is prevented; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Programs were developed throughout the year to
- 8 promote public awareness and raise consciousness about the
- 9 dangers of alcohol and other drug-impaired driving; and
- 10 WHEREAS, During the week of May 7 through 13, 1995, MADD
- 11 (Mothers Against Drink Driving) organizations, victims,
- 12 advocates, trauma centers, law enforcement officers and drug and
- 13 alcohol prevention departments will all join together to educate
- 14 the public about the violent crime of drunk driving; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth considers of utmost seriousness its
- 16 duty to protect our citizens from hazards such as impaired
- 17 drivers; therefore be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives proclaim the week
- 19 of May 7 through 13, 1995, to be "MADD Week" in Pennsylvania and
- 20 call upon all citizens, government agencies, public and private
- 21 institutions, businesses, hospitals and schools in this
- 22 Commonwealth to promote awareness of courses of driver
- 23 impairment, existing and proposed laws intended to further
- 24 reduce and prevent impaired driving, and opportunities to
- 25 establish safer and healthier norms regarding the use of alcohol
- 26 and other drugs for all citizens.