THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 6, 2000

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania as an outstanding 2 corporate citizen in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Throughout its 100-year history as a utility in this
- 4 Commonwealth, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania has demonstrated a
- 5 commitment to the communities it serves with outstanding
- 6 employee volunteerism and philanthropic giving; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania was the first
- 8 corporation to step forward with both monetary and long-term
- 9 employee volunteer support to restore and adopt a monument, the
- 10 Eternal Peace Light Memorial, at Gettysburg National Military
- 11 Park; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In 1998 Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania created "Front
- 13 Row!" which is an art education collaborative that brought
- 14 together six major Pittsburgh arts organizations to deliver arts

- 1 education programs to the schools in Beaver County; and
- 2 WHEREAS, In fall 2000 the "Front Row!" program will be
- 3 extended to reach the students in Washington County; and
- 4 WHEREAS, In May 2000 Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania's "Front
- 5 Row!" program and Gettysburg initiative received the national
- 6 Wilmer Shields Rich Gold and Silver Awards, respectively, for
- 7 Outstanding Public Information Program from the Council on
- 8 Foundations; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The company has championed other successful programs
- 10 such as the Roberto Clemente Foundation, to which Columbia Gas
- 11 of Pennsylvania has donated more than \$50,000 and hundreds of
- 12 hours of employees' time since 1996 to provide organized sports,
- 13 mentoring and educational programs for at-risk youth; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania inducted
- 15 Columbia Gas into its Hall of Fame in February 2000 in
- 16 recognition of the longstanding and continuing success of the
- 17 company's corporate campaign and leadership; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania remains committed to
- 19 the communities it serves; therefore be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
- 21 Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania as an outstanding corporate citizen
- 22 in Pennsylvania.