

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 345 Session of
2001

INTRODUCED BY HERMAN AND BENNINGHOFF, OCTOBER 30, 2001

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
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A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating Penn State Head Coach Joe Paterno on reaching his
2 324th Division I-A victory in football.

3 WHEREAS, Coach Paterno became an assistant football coach at
4 Penn State under Head Coach Rip Engle in 1950; and

5 WHEREAS, Coach Paterno married Suzanne Pohland of Latrobe in
6 1962; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1966, 16 years after he planned to go to law
8 school, Joe Paterno was named the 14th head football coach at
9 Penn State; and

10 WHEREAS, Penn State under Coach Paterno has compiled five
11 unbeaten, untied seasons and two national championships; and

12 WHEREAS, Coach Paterno, or Joe Pa as he is affectionately
13 called, has been an assistant coach or head coach at Penn State
14 for 51 years; and

15 WHEREAS, Joe and Sue Paterno have donated \$4 million to The
16 Pennsylvania State University through the Paterno Libraries
17 Endowment and for other purposes; and

1 WHEREAS, On October 27, 2001, Penn State came from behind to
2 defeat Ohio State 29-27 to give Coach Paterno his 324th Division
3 I-A victory, passing Alabama's legendary coach Paul "Bear"
4 Bryant to become the all-time leader in Division I-A football
5 victories; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives congratulate Joe
7 Paterno on his outstanding accomplishment of winning 324 major
8 college football games and commend his selflessness and
9 generosity to The Pennsylvania State University community.