## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, FEBRUARY 1, 2006

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Congratulating the Pittsburgh Steelers for winning the 2005 AFC championship and wishing them well in competing in Super Bowl
- 3 XL.
- 4 WHEREAS, A National Football League (NFL) franchise was
- 5 founded on July 8, 1933, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, by the
- 6 late Arthur Joseph Rooney, one of the pioneers of the American
- 7 professional sports world, who is enshrined in the Professional
- 8 Football Hall of Fame and is remembered as one of the City of
- 9 Pittsburgh's great citizens; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The franchise, originally named the Pittsburgh
- 2 Pirates and later renamed the Pittsburgh Steelers to reflect the
- 3 city's prominence as a steelmaking center, is now the fifth-
- 4 oldest franchise in the NFL; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Over the last eight decades, the Steelers have
- 6 become a beloved part of the City of Pittsburgh and have brought
- 7 many great moments to the league and city; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Through draft selections in the 1970s, the Steelers
- 9 assembled a group of remarkably talented players, including many
- 10 future Hall of Fame inductees, to form one of the greatest NFL
- 11 teams in history, making the playoffs eight seasons in a row and
- 12 winning four Super Bowls; and
- WHEREAS, Throughout its history, the franchise has captured
- 14 17 division championships, made 23 playoff appearances and won
- 15 six conference championships and four league championships,
- 16 becoming the first team in NFL history to do so; and
- 17 WHEREAS, During the 2005 season, the Steelers became the
- 18 first sixth-seeded playoff team in NFL history to advance to the
- 19 Super Bowl when the team defeated the Denver Broncos 34-17 in
- 20 the American Football Conference Championship Game on January
- 21 22, 2006; and
- 22 WHEREAS, The Steelers will represent Pennsylvania in Super
- 23 Bowl XL on February 5, 2006, in Detroit, Michigan, at Ford
- 24 Field; and
- 25 WHEREAS, The Steelers deserve the admiration of the residents
- 26 of this Commonwealth for an outstanding season of professional
- 27 football; therefore be it
- 28 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives congratulate the
- 29 Pittsburgh Steelers for winning the 2005 AFC championship and
- 30 wish them well in competing in Super Bowl XL.