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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY KENNEY, BENNINGHOFF, FICHTER, FLEAGLE, GINGRICH,  
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WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD, OCTOBER 5, 2006

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
OCTOBER 5, 2006

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 Commending the civic initiative of the dental profession for  
2 establishing the Donated Dental Services program; and urging  
3 the participation of all dentists in the program.

4 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Dental Association and the  
5 Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped have joined together  
6 to create a Donated Dental Services program to meet the oral  
7 health care needs of disadvantaged disabled, medically  
8 compromised and elderly citizens of this Commonwealth; and

9 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania dentists have traditionally provided  
10 quality care through a system of professional dedication and  
11 concern for their patients, including special needs patients  
12 whose care poses particular problems for the practitioner; and

13 WHEREAS, The Donated Dental Services program has served  
14 approximately 2,100 disabled, medically compromised and elderly

1 people who, because of their disabilities, have limited income  
2 and cannot afford needed dental care; and

3 WHEREAS, The value of donated dental care has been more than  
4 \$3,500,000, approximately \$6.24 worth of free care for every  
5 dollar spent on operating costs; and

6 WHEREAS, This important contribution by the dental profession  
7 to the well-being of disabled residents of this Commonwealth is  
8 exemplary and reflects the highest ethical and humanitarian  
9 values; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly  
11 commend the civic initiative of the dental profession in  
12 establishing the Donated Dental Services program and urge all  
13 dentists to participate in this worthwhile endeavor.