
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 406 Session of
2007

INTRODUCED BY DALLY, ADOLPH, ARGALL, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, BENNINGTON, BEYER, BOBACK, BRENNAN, BROOKS, CALTAGIRONE, CONKLIN, CREIGHTON, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FLECK, FRANKEL, GALLOWAY, GEIST, GEORGE, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARPER, HELM, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, KENNEY, KILLION, KOTIK, MAHONEY, MAJOR, MANN, MANTZ, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, MCGEEHAN, MCILHATTAN, MELIO, MILLARD, R. MILLER, MOYER, MUNDY, MURT, MUSTIO, PALLONE, PETRONE, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, RAMALEY, RAPP, REICHLEY, ROEBUCK, ROHRER, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SHIMKUS, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, R. STEVENSON, R. TAYLOR, TRUE, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, WALKO, WATSON, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD AND YUDICHAK, SEPTEMBER 25, 2007

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 25, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 16, 2007, as "Independent College and
2 University Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has the second largest number of
4 private colleges and universities in the nation; and

5 WHEREAS, Independent colleges and universities enroll 266,000
6 of the students in higher education in this Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, Independent colleges and universities award 49% of
8 the baccalaureate degrees in this Commonwealth; and

9 WHEREAS, Independent colleges and universities award 52% of
10 the degrees awarded to minority students in this Commonwealth;
11 and

1 WHEREAS, Independent colleges and universities award 63% of
2 the advanced degrees in this Commonwealth; and

3 WHEREAS, Independent colleges and universities collectively
4 employ more than 71,000 people in this Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, Independent colleges and universities are the fourth
6 largest private-sector employer in this Commonwealth with a
7 total economic impact of more than \$18 billion; and

8 WHEREAS, Independent colleges and universities enroll more
9 out-of-State students than any other state, attracting more than
10 20,000 talented young people to this Commonwealth every year;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Many of these out-of-State students work in
13 Pennsylvania upon graduation; and

14 WHEREAS, The presence of a large, healthy sector of
15 independent institutions of higher education results in an
16 enormous investment of private dollars, saving State taxpayers
17 significant expenditures; and

18 WHEREAS, All Pennsylvanians benefit to some degree from the
19 availability of independent colleges and universities throughout
20 this Commonwealth; therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
22 16, 2007, as "Independent College and University Day" in
23 Pennsylvania.