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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 691 Session of 2008

INTRODUCED BY MAHER, ADOLPH, BAKER, BASTIAN, BEAR, BEYER, BOYD, BRENNAN, BROOKS, CAUSER, CUTLER, ELLIS, FAIRCHILD, FLECK, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, HARHART, HELM, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, HUTCHINSON, M. KELLER, W. KELLER, KESSLER, LONGIETTI, MAJOR, MANTZ, McILHATTAN, McILVAINE SMITH, MENSCH, MILLARD, R. MILLER, MOUL, MOYER, MUSTIO, PALLONE, PASHINSKI, PAYNE, PAYTON, PEIFER, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, QUINN, RAPP, REICHLEY, ROHRER, ROSS, SAYLOR, M. SMITH, SWANGER, TRUE, VULAKOVICH, WOJNAROSKI, DENLINGER AND HESS, APRIL 7, 2008

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 7, 2008

A RESOLUTION

Designating the month of April 2008 as "Financial Literacy Month" in Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, Financial literacy is critically needed to achieve personal financial goals which allow all Pennsylvanians to attain the highest quality of life available in this good Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Many young people fail in the management of their first consumer credit experience, establish bad financial management habits and stumble financially, learning by trial and error; and

WHEREAS, Personal financial practices and habits are formed during our childhood years; and

WHEREAS, Increasing the financial literacy of all economic

and ethnic groups has proven successful in improving attitudes, leading to improved decision making, and providing a more secure future for individuals who have been educated in financial literacy and their families; and

WHEREAS, Financial literacy training may easily be integrated as a valuable component for elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, community groups and citizen town hall meetings; and

WHEREAS, This endeavor is worthy of support and cooperation for the benefit of the citizens and consumers of this Commonwealth and protection of their financial future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That legislators, employers, schools, service groups, community organizations, libraries, financial institutions and the media be encouraged to provide opportunities for financial literacy education for all Pennsylvanians through a variety of means, including collaboration with members of the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants, in order to provide outreach and education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives, in special recognition of the importance of increasing financial literacy among Pennsylvania's children and youths, designate the month of April 2008 as "Financial Literacy Month" in Pennsylvania.