

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY WAUGH, BAKER, PUNT, KITCHEN, ROBBINS, BOSCOLA,
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TARTAGLIONE, WOZNIAK, ARMSTRONG, BRUBAKER, GREENLEAF, ORIE
AND C. WILLIAMS, SEPTEMBER 24, 2007

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, SEPTEMBER 24, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Observing the month of September 2007 as "National Preparedness
2 Month" in Pennsylvania and urging the residents of this
3 Commonwealth to take advantage of nationwide and Statewide
4 initiatives which show individuals how to create emergency
5 kits, make a family emergency plan, become informed about
6 different threats and get involved in preparing their
7 communities for emergencies.

8 WHEREAS, "National Preparedness Month" is a nationwide effort
9 to encourage Americans to take simple steps to prepare for
10 emergencies in their homes, businesses and schools; and

11 WHEREAS, "National Preparedness Month" has a goal of
12 increasing public awareness about the importance of preparing
13 for emergencies and encouraging individuals to take action
14 through simple steps such as creating an emergency kit, making a
15 family emergency plan, becoming informed about different threats
16 and getting involved in preparing communities for emergencies;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Governor Rendell has proclaimed September 2007 as
19 "National Preparedness Month" in this Commonwealth; and

1 WHEREAS, A recent poll found that only 7% of Americans are
2 considered "Red Cross Ready" for a disaster, meaning they have a
3 disaster supplies kit, a communication plan and are prepared to
4 respond to disasters and everyday emergencies; and

5 WHEREAS, Experience tells us that by preparing ahead of time,
6 people can better respond to, recover from and lessen the
7 physical, emotional and financial impact of a disaster or other
8 emergency; and

9 WHEREAS, It is easy for anyone to prepare for a disaster and
10 other emergencies by taking the three simple action steps of
11 creating a kit, making a plan and staying informed; and

12 WHEREAS, Preparedness should be an ongoing set of activities
13 undertaken by Pennsylvania's citizens, businesses and schools;
14 therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate observe the month of September 2007
16 as "National Preparedness Month" in Pennsylvania and urge the
17 residents of this Commonwealth to take advantage of nationwide
18 and Statewide initiatives which show individuals how to create
19 emergency kits, make a family emergency plan, become informed
20 about different threats and get involved in preparing their
21 communities for emergencies throughout the year.