## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2009

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, APRIL 28, 2009

## A RESOLUTION

- Memorializing the Congress of the United States to designate the Honor and Remember Flag as a national emblem of service and
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- 3 sacrifice by the brave men and women of the United States
- Armed Forces who have given their lives in the line of duty.
- 5 WHEREAS, While war deaths have been a part of our heritage
- since the birth of this nation, the United States has not
- instituted an official symbol commemorating fallen
- 8 servicepersons; and
- 9 WHEREAS, House Resolution No. 1034 of the 111th Congress
- 10 designates the Honor and Remember Flag, created by Honor and
- 11 Remember, Inc., to officially recognize and honor fallen members
- 12 of the armed forces; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The Honor and Remember Flag red field represents the
- brave men and women who sacrificed their lives for freedom; and 14
- 15 WHEREAS, The Honor and Remember Flag blue star is a symbol of

- 1 active service in military conflict which dates back to World
- 2 War I; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The Honor and Remember Flag white border recognizes
- 4 the purity of sacrifice; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Honor and Remember Flag gold star signifies the
- 6 ultimate sacrifice of a warrior in active service who is not
- 7 returning home and reflects the value of the life given; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The Honor and Remember Flag folded flag element
- 9 highlights this nation's final tribute to a fallen serviceperson
- 10 and a family's sacrifice; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The Honor and Remember Flag flame symbolizes the
- 12 eternal spirit of the departed; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of
- 14 Pennsylvania calls for a unifying symbol recognizing this
- 15 nation's solemn debt to the estimated 1.6 million fallen
- 16 servicepersons throughout history and the families and
- 17 communities who mourned their loss; therefore be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 19 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize the Congress of the
- 20 United States to designate the Honor and Remember Flag as a
- 21 national emblem of service and sacrifice by the brave men and
- 22 women of the United States Armed Forces who have given their
- 23 lives in the line of duty; and be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 25 the presiding officers of each house of Congress and to each
- 26 member of Congress from Pennsylvania.