

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 737 Session of 2010

INTRODUCED BY BEAR, BAKER, BELFANTI, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, COHEN, CREIGHTON, DALEY, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FLECK, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GINGRICH, GRUCELA, HELM, HENNESSEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, KILLION, MANN, MELIO, MICOZZIE, MUSTIO, M. O'BRIEN, PHILLIPS, READSHAW, ROCK, ROEBUCK, ROSS, SAINATO, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SONNEY, STERN, SWANGER, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, WATSON, BROOKS AND SEIP, APRIL 14, 2010

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 14, 2010

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of April 18 through 24, 2010, as "EyeCare
2 America Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The gift of sight is one of our most valued senses;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Older individuals are particularly susceptible to
6 loss of vision through age-related macular degeneration,
7 cataracts, glaucoma and diabetes, and much can be done to
8 preserve sight with early detection and treatments; and

9 WHEREAS, EyeCare America, the public service program of the
10 Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, has
11 celebrated 25 years of preserving sight since 1985; and

12 WHEREAS, More than 7,000 ophthalmologists in the United
13 States volunteer to see EyeCare America patients; and

14 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is the home of more than 31,394 people
15 served by EyeCare America, and 419 ophthalmologists volunteer to

1 see EyeCare America patients in this Commonwealth; and

2 WHEREAS, People 65 years of age or older who have not seen an
3 ophthalmologist in three or more years may be eligible to
4 receive eye examinations and care for up to one year at no out-
5 of-pocket cost; and

6 WHEREAS, Individuals may call the EyeCare America Seniors
7 Program toll-free telephone number at 800-222-EYES (3937) to see
8 if they may be eligible to be referred to a volunteer
9 ophthalmologist in this Commonwealth; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
11 week of April 18 through 24, 2010, as "EyeCare America Week" in
12 Pennsylvania.