THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 1081 Session of 2014

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 14, 2014

A RESOLUTION

Designating the month of November 2014 as "Infant Safe Sleep Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The children of Pennsylvania are our most important

4 resource and the very foundation of the future of our

5 Commonwealth; and

6 WHEREAS, Thousands of infants in the United States die each

7 year in preventable tragedies because they are placed in unsafe

8 sleeping environments; and

9 WHEREAS, In April 1992, the American Academy of Pediatrics 10 Task Force on Infant Sleep Position recommended that infants be 11 placed on their backs to sleep; and

12 WHEREAS, The safest sleeping environment for babies is alone 13 on their backs in an empty crib with a tightly fitted sheet and 14 sufficient sleepwear; and WHEREAS, The National Institute of Child Health and Human
Development's website provides parents, grandparents, relatives
and day-care providers access to resources containing
information about providing babies with safe sleep environments;
and

6 WHEREAS, The month of November is an opportunity to inform or 7 remind all caregivers to check infant sleep environments to help 8 prevent needless tragedies; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the 10 month of November 2014 as "Infant Safe Sleep Month" in

11 Pennsylvania.