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## A RESOLUTION

Designating October 17, 2013, as "Conflict Resolution Day" in Pennsylvania. 2 WHEREAS, The board of directors of the Association for 3 Conflict Resolution adopted a resolution designating the third 4 5 Thursday in October as Conflict Resolution Day; and WHEREAS, The Association for Conflict Resolution is a 6 7 professional organization focused on enhancing the practice and 8 public understanding of conflict resolution; and 9 WHEREAS, The Association for Conflict Resolution is the 10 nation's largest professional association for mediators, arbitrators, educators and other conflict resolution 11 12 practitioners; and 13 WHEREAS, Conflict Resolution Day was conceived to: 14 promote awareness of mediation, arbitration, 15 conciliation and other creative, peaceful means of resolving 16 conflicts;

(2) promote the use of conflict resolution in schools,

- families, businesses, communities, governments and the legal
- 2 system;
- 3 (3) recognize the significant contributions of peaceful
- 4 conflict resolvers; and
- 5 (4) obtain national synergy by having celebrations
- 6 happen across the country and around the world on the same
- 7 day;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, The first Conflict Resolution Day was celebrated in
- 10 2005; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The importance of Conflict Resolution Day is further
- 12 underscored by the American Bar Association designating the
- 13 third week in October as ABA Mediation Week; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate designate October 17, 2013, as
- 15 "Conflict Resolution Day" in Pennsylvania.