

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JUNE 11, 1997

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Philadelphia's Overbrook High School Mock Trial Team  
2 for winning the Southeast Regional Mock Trial Championship  
3 and the State Mock Trial Championship and placing in the top  
4 half of competitors in the National Mock Trial Championship.

5 WHEREAS, For the past 17 years, Overbrook High School, a  
6 Philadelphia public school, has participated in the Philadelphia  
7 Mock Trial Competition at Temple University School of Law, a  
8 competition developed and directed by David Trevaskis, Esquire;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, As in the past, the 1997 team was selected from the  
11 Senior Scholars Law classes and coached by the teacher assigned  
12 to those classes, Philip Beauchemin, Esquire; and

13 WHEREAS, Also instrumental in developing the 1997 team were  
14 Attorney-Coach Erik Chizmar, Esquire, and Scholars Magnet  
15 Coordinator, Bruce Eisenberg; and

16 WHEREAS, Overbrook's 1997 team defeated opponents from 44

1 public, private and parochial schools to win the Southeast  
2 Regional Championship; and

3 WHEREAS, Tyray Miller was unanimously named Top Advocate,  
4 while Timothy Carr and Chanae Smith were cited for Best  
5 Performance and Best Witness, respectively; and

6 WHEREAS, Overbrook went on to compete with seven other  
7 regional champions from all over Pennsylvania and defeated them  
8 to win the State Championship; and

9 WHEREAS, At the National Mock Trial Championship held in  
10 Nashville, Tennessee, Overbrook finished in the top half of the  
11 competition; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives offer its  
13 congratulations to the Overbrook High School Mock Trial Team for  
14 winning the Southeast Regional Mock Trial Championship and the  
15 State Mock Trial Championship and for placing in the top half of  
16 competitors in the National Mock Trial Championship.