THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

Appointing a select committee to investigate the circumstances 2 surrounding the need for Limerick Unit II Nuclear Generating Station proposed by the Philadelphia Electric Company and the potential impact on residential and industrial ratepayers if 4 5 it is completed. 6 WHEREAS, There is continuing public concern and controversy over the proposed building of the nuclear generating station called Limerick Unit II; and 8 9 WHEREAS, There appears to be a question concerning the need 10 for the additional capacity given the availability of power 11 available from other sources; and 12 WHEREAS, There is concern about the projected project costs 13 and the necessity for additional investment in the Limerick Unit 14 II project; and 15 WHEREAS, The potential impact on affected ratepayers -16 residential and industrial - could be deleterious in light of 17 already projected rate increases to the population; and WHEREAS, There is the possibility that unemployment may 18

result from small and large businesses who can no longer afford

- 1 ever-increasing electric costs; therefore be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- 3 appoint a select committee of eight members, four from the
- 4 majority party and four from the minority party to conduct a
- 5 thorough investigation of the circumstances surrounding the need
- 6 for Limerick Unit II Nuclear Generating Station; and be it
- 7 further
- 8 RESOLVED, That the committee may hold hearings, and take
- 9 testimony at such places as it deems necessary within the
- 10 Commonwealth. Each member of the committee shall have power to
- 11 administer oaths and affirmations to witnesses appearing before
- 12 the committee; and be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That the select committee shall pay particular
- 14 attention to:
- 15 (1) The potential impact on ratepayers consumers and
- industries located within the utility service area.
- 17 (2) Potential alternative sources of electrical energy
- 18 to that service area; and be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That within 30 calendar days after the select
- 20 committee has made its report, the chairman of the committee
- 21 shall cause a record of all expenses incurred by the committee,
- 22 or the members thereof, which are payable at Commonwealth
- 23 expense, to be filed with the Speaker of the House; and be it
- 24 further
- 25 RESOLVED, That the select committee report back as soon as
- 26 its study and investigation are completed together with its
- 27 findings and recommendations for legislation.