

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 32

Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY BRANDT, FAIRCHILD, ADOLPH, ALLEN, NAILOR, DEMPSEY, BELFANTI, FARGO, RYBAK, MARSICO, KOSINSKI, PERZEL, ROBINSON, JACKSON, TRELLO, LUCYK, CARLSON, MARKOSEK, SERAFINI, GLADECK, PHILLIPS, FARMER, CORRIGAN, FOX, ARGALL, HESS, MICOZZIE, STABACK, SCHULER, E. Z. TAYLOR, LaGROTTA, MERRY, McCALL, BUNT, STUBAN, J. L. WRIGHT, BELARDI, DeLUCA, CLYMER, DISTLER, MELIO, JOHNSON, COY, S. H. SMITH, McNALLY, HERSHEY, ROBBINS, CIVERA, BARLEY, HALUSKA, HASAY, GEIST, DIETTERICK, LAUGHLIN, B. SMITH, COLAFELLA, LEH, MRKONIC, OLASZ AND KONDRICH,  
MARCH 13, 1989

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, MARCH 13, 1989

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Requesting the observance of the Pledge of Allegiance to the  
2 American Flag at the opening of all public meetings.

3 WHEREAS, The American Flag is the symbol of the freedom of  
4 association and of the right of citizens to meet publicly to  
5 discuss common needs and concerns; and

6 WHEREAS, Public officials, both elected and appointed, are  
7 delegated to promote the best interests of the citizens of this  
8 Commonwealth and to conduct public business in an open and  
9 forthright manner; and

10 WHEREAS, The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag is an  
11 expression of the common values and goals shared by all  
12 Americans; and

13 WHEREAS, Some public bodies have not observed the regular  
14 practice of the Pledge of Allegiance at the opening of their

1 meetings; and

2 WHEREAS, Civic-minded groups, including the Pennsylvania  
3 Jaycees, have consistently supported the need for greater  
4 patriotism by the reaffirmation of our loyalty to our nation as  
5 it is expressed by the words of the Pledge of Allegiance; and

6 WHEREAS, This General Assembly regularly observes the Pledge  
7 of Allegiance to the American Flag at the commencement of each  
8 legislative session day; and

9 WHEREAS, Public officials at all governmental levels are to  
10 serve as role models of patriotism for their constituents;  
11 therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage the  
13 practice of pledging allegiance to the flag of the United States  
14 at the opening of every public meeting within this Commonwealth;  
15 and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives transmit to each  
17 county and municipality, and to each public authority,  
18 commission, board or agency a copy of this resolution with the  
19 request that, notwithstanding those public bodies where the  
20 practice regularly occurs, each body institute the practice of  
21 pledging allegiance to the American Flag at the beginning of  
22 each public meeting of that body.