
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 220 Session of
1999

INTRODUCED BY HARHART, BROWNE, DALLY, SEMMEL, GRUCELA, MANN, ROONEY, SAMUELSON, ARGALL, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BARD, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, CHADWICK, CLARK, CLYMER, M. COHEN, CORRIGAN, DAILEY, DEMPSEY, FAIRCHILD, FARGO, FLEAGLE, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GIGLIOTTI, GODSHALL, GORDNER, HARHAI, HERMAN, HERSHEY, JOSEPHS, KENNEY, LAUGHLIN, LEDERER, LESCOVITZ, MAITLAND, MANDERINO, MARSICO, MASLAND, McCALL, McILHATTAN, S. MILLER, MUNDY, NAILOR, ORIE, PETRARCA, PHILLIPS, PIPPY, READSHAW, ROBERTS, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SAYLOR, SCHRODER, SCHULER, SERAFINI, SEYFERT, SHANER, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STERN, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WILT, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK AND SCRIMENTI, JUNE 16, 1999

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JUNE 16, 1999

A RESOLUTION

1 To honor the volunteers of Lutheran Brotherhood in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, Lutheran Brotherhood was founded in 1917 and
3 formally chartered November 18, 1918; and

4 WHEREAS, Lutheran Brotherhood is a member-owned fraternal
5 benefit society of 1.1 million Lutherans joined together for
6 financial security, benevolent outreach and volunteer service;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Lutheran Brotherhood's family of financial services
9 for Lutherans has included life and health insurance, annuities,
10 investment products and a variety of custom services; and

11 WHEREAS, With more than \$22 billion in assets under
12 management, Lutheran Brotherhood is among the largest of the

1 fraternal benefit societies; and

2 WHEREAS, In 1998 Lutheran Brotherhood allocated \$66 million
3 nationally for fraternal programs and activities in support of
4 its members, congregations, Lutheran institutions and
5 communities and allocated more than \$3 million in resources to
6 outreach programs in this Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, Nationwide, Lutheran Brotherhood members and
8 volunteers participated in 31,260 events and activities totaling
9 10.1 million hours of volunteerism, 3.1 million of which were
10 devoted to community service projects; and

11 WHEREAS, In Pennsylvania, 74 Lutheran Brotherhood branches or
12 geographic volunteer groups contributed 573,554 hours of
13 volunteerism, 250,171 of which were devoted to community service
14 projects; and

15 WHEREAS, Volunteers completed projects which included
16 purchasing and distributing food to local food banks,
17 contributing material and manpower for Habitat for Humanity and
18 generating funds for local and national disaster relief efforts;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, The North Lehigh Branch No. 8629 was honored by
21 Pennsylvanians With Disabilities in January 1998 for its efforts
22 in designing and constructing wheelchair ramps for local needy
23 families; therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend the many
25 volunteers of Lutheran Brotherhood for their untiring efforts
26 and selfless service to the citizens of this Commonwealth and
27 our nation.