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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 11, 2002

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the week of October 6 through 12, 2002, as "Fire
- 2 Prevention Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Nationwide, 85% of fire deaths occur in the home;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Fires in one-family and two-family dwellings cause
- 6 72% of fire deaths; and
- 7 WHEREAS, In the past year there were 368,000 home fires in
- 8 the United States, resulting in 3,420 deaths, 16,975 injuries

1 and \$5.5 billion in direct property damage; and

2 WHEREAS, Smoke and poisonous gases, the leading causes of
3 fire deaths, often kill before flames kill; and

4 WHEREAS, The fire services of this Commonwealth are dedicated
5 to protecting life and property from the devastating effects of
6 fire; and

7 WHEREAS, Private citizens, businesses, schools, service clubs
8 and other organizations often cooperate in fire safety and
9 prevention efforts; and

10 WHEREAS, Teamwork is an integral and necessary component of
11 preventing fires and fire-related deaths and injuries; and

12 WHEREAS, This year's theme, "Team Up for Fire Safety,"
13 emphasizes the importance of teamwork in preventing fires; and

14 WHEREAS, "Fire Prevention Week" commemorates the devastating
15 Great Chicago Fire of 1871 and educates the public about the
16 necessary steps to prevent fires; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
18 week of October 6 through 12, 2002, as "Fire Prevention Week" in
19 Pennsylvania and call upon the people of this Commonwealth to
20 participate in fire prevention activities at home, work and
21 school and follow fire safety precautions to prevent fires and
22 avert fire-related deaths and injuries.