
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 24, 2002

A RESOLUTION

1 Memorializing the Governor to proclaim May 2002 as "Celebrate to
2 Live Month."

3 WHEREAS, The days of youth represent a vibrant time filled
4 with an array of challenges and beams of hope and promise for
5 the future; and

6 WHEREAS, Unfortunately, these years sometimes are accompanied
7 by a great deal of peer pressure to use alcohol and illegal
8 drugs as a means of securing false enjoyment; and

9 WHEREAS, When these illegal substances are introduced into
10 celebrations and enjoyable activities of the teen years,
11 disaster too often results, promising futures are snuffed out
12 and lives are permanently scarred; and

1 WHEREAS, Any minor who purchases, consumes, transports or is
2 in possession of alcoholic beverages faces a 90-day suspension
3 of driver's license, a fine of up to \$300 and \$500 for a
4 subsequent offense and a one-year suspension; and

5 WHEREAS, A minor with a blood alcohol content of 0.02% or
6 greater while driving faces prosecution for driving under the
7 influence, with a fine of up to \$5,000, possible imprisonment
8 for up to two years and mandatory license suspension for up to
9 one year; and

10 WHEREAS, A minor carrying or using a false identification
11 card faces a 90-day to one-year license suspension, a fine of up
12 to \$500 and possible imprisonment of up to 90 days and two years
13 for a third and subsequent offense; and

14 WHEREAS, A minor under 16 years of age would be subject to
15 the same criminal sanctions and would not be able to obtain a
16 driver's license for the same period (90 days) of time, which
17 would not start until the minor acknowledges the notice of
18 violation to the Department of Transportation; therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives memorialize the
20 Governor to proclaim May 2002 as "Celebrate to Live Month" in
21 this Commonwealth and to urge all teenagers to enjoy the special
22 time of their youth but to celebrate and enjoy it responsibly.