

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 58

Session of
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INTRODUCED BY WHEATLEY, GERGELY, PETRARCA, PISTELLA, SOLOBAY,
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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
FEBRUARY 12, 2003

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating February 16, 2003, as "Henry Highland Garnet Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Henry Highland Garnet was born into slavery near New
4 Market, Maryland, on December 23, 1815; and

5 WHEREAS, After Garnet's family escaped from slavery, a
6 portion of his immediate family lived temporarily in New Hope,
7 Bucks County, where Garnet received his first formal education;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Garnet rose from the chains of slavery to become a
10 Presbyterian minister and abolitionist; and

11 WHEREAS, Garnet died in February 1882 after living a life
12 dedicated to helping others; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate
14 February 16, 2003, as "Henry Highland Garnet Day" in
15 Pennsylvania; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
17 Pennsylvanians to work toward freedom and justice for all

1 Americans on February 16 and throughout the year.