

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 143 Session of
2003

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 12, 2003

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Pennsylvania's senior citizens by recognizing May 2003
2 as "Older Americans Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, For more than 30 years, the President of the United
4 States has designated the month of May as "Older Americans
5 Month"; and

6 WHEREAS, This year's national theme, "What We Do Makes a
7 Difference," recognizes the freedom and security we now enjoy
8 due to the service, hard work and sacrifices of older Americans;
9 and

1 WHEREAS, Older Americans continue making significant
2 contributions to our communities, workplaces and homes by giving
3 freely of themselves and by sharing their wisdom and experience
4 through civic leadership and mentoring; and

5 WHEREAS, The older Americans of tomorrow will be more
6 socially, ethnically and economically diverse than any past
7 generation, which will impact our ideas of work, retirement and
8 leisure and alter our housing and living arrangements, challenge
9 our health care systems and reshape our economy; and

10 WHEREAS, The opportunities and challenges that await our
11 Commonwealth require this Commonwealth to continue to commit to
12 the goal of ensuring that older Americans enjoy active,
13 productive and healthy lives with independence, safety and
14 dignity; and

15 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania proudly ranks second in the nation in
16 the percentage of population which is 65 years of age and older;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, It is appropriate for the Commonwealth to recognize
19 the month of May as a time to celebrate the contributions of
20 older Americans and to rededicate our efforts to respect and
21 better serve older Americans; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor
23 Pennsylvania's senior citizens by recognizing May 2003 as "Older
24 Americans Month" in Pennsylvania.