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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the week of February 13 through 19, 2005, as
- 2 "National Child Passenger Safety Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Safety belts have saved an estimated 164,753 lives
- 4 since 1975 and child restraints saved over 6,567 children during
- 5 that same time period; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Motor vehicle crashes remain the leading cause of
- 7 injury-related death among people from two to 33 years of age;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, An additional 7,153 lives could have been saved in
- 10 2002 if all passenger vehicle occupants over age four wore
- 11 safety belts; and
- 12 WHEREAS, More than 40% of children under the age of eight
- 13 years who die or suffer incapacitating injuries in fatal crashes
- 14 are completely unrestrained; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The National Highway Transportation Safety Agency
- 16 recommends that all children who have outgrown child safety

- 1 seats be properly buckled up in booster seats until they are at
- 2 least age eight, unless they are at least 4 feet 9 inches tall;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, There is more that needs to be accomplished to
- 5 protect Pennsylvania's youngest citizens; and
- 6 WHEREAS, National Child Passenger Safety Week is a great
- 7 opportunity to draw attention to the issue and to teach the
- 8 importance of safe transportation and use of appropriate child
- 9 safety seats and restraints; therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the week of February 13
- 11 through 19, 2005, as "National Child Passenger Safety Week" in
- 12 Pennsylvania.