THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 611 Session of 2008

INTRODUCED BY ROHRER, BAKER, BASTIAN, BOBACK, BOYD, BRENNAN, BROOKS, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CLYMER, CONKLIN, CREIGHTON, DALEY, DiGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, FAIRCHILD, FLECK, FRANKEL, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GILLESPIE, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHART, HARPER, HELM, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, HESS, HUTCHINSON, JAMES, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, MAJOR, MANTZ, MCILHATTAN, MELIO, MICOZZIE, MILLARD, MILNE, MUNDY, MURT, MUSTIO, MYERS, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PETRONE, PHILLIPS, PYLE, RAMALEY, READSHAW, ROEBUCK, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SIPTROTH, K. SMITH, SONNEY, STABACK, SWANGER, THOMAS, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, WHEATLEY, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD, FEBRUARY 26, 2008

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, FEBRUARY 26, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 2 3 4 5 6	Declaring the week of April 21 through 25, 2008, as "Pennsylvania Academic Competition Week" in Pennsylvania; and urging the Department of Education, local school districts and intermediate units to participate in the 17th annual Statewide Pennsylvania Academic Competition on April 25, 2008.
7	WHEREAS, The education of all Pennsylvania children is a
8	major concern to the citizens of this Commonwealth and requires
9	the use of creative and innovative means to focus attention upon
10	this concern; and
11	WHEREAS, Excellence displayed in athletic competition has
12	long been recognized by societal and community rewards provided
13	for that competition; and
14	WHEREAS, Academic competition is an innovative and creative
15	attempt to involve children, parents, educators and community

members in an educational forum for excellence; and 1 2 WHEREAS, Academic competition helps to hone the abilities and 3 intellectual skills of students, as well as providing opportunities for incentives to continue the pursuit of 4 5 excellence in education; and 6 WHEREAS, A coordinated program of academic competition has not existed in this Commonwealth, except in isolated school 7 8 district programs; therefore be it 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare the week of April 21 through 25, 2008, as "Pennsylvania Academic 10 Competition Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further 11 12 RESOLVED, That the Department of Education, local school 13 districts and intermediate units are urged to actively participate in the finals of the 17th annual Statewide 14 15 Pennsylvania Academic Competition to be held in the House of 16 Representatives Chamber on April 25, 2008.