

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 268 Session of
2009

INTRODUCED BY MURT, BEYER, BRENNAN, BURNS, CALTAGIRONE, CONKLIN,
D. COSTA, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH,
HELM, HENNESSEY, HESS, KORTZ, MAJOR, MCCALL, MILLARD,
PALLONE, PAYNE, QUINN, READSHAW, SANTONI, SWANGER, J. TAYLOR,
VULAKOVICH AND YOUNGBLOOD, APRIL 28, 2009

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL
28, 2009

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of October 25 through 31, 2009, as "Magic
2 Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Society of American Magicians is an organization
4 with more than 6,000 members; and

5 WHEREAS, For more than 40 years, the society has recognized
6 the anniversary of the death of the great illusionist, Harry
7 Houdini, with a week of community service events to highlight
8 the grand tradition of this performance art; and

9 WHEREAS, During this special week, society members perform
10 for free in hospitals, public libraries, nursing homes, schools
11 and day-care centers; and

12 WHEREAS, The society also sponsors several service programs,
13 including the Society of Young Magicians, Freedom from Drugs,
14 Magic in Special Education, Magic Camp and Magic Camp
15 scholarships, the Harry and Trudy Monti College Scholarship Fund
16 for budding magicians, and the Veterans' Program that provides

1 free performances in veterans' hospitals; and

2 WHEREAS, Chapters of the society are located throughout
3 Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Reading,
4 Wilkes-Barre, Scranton, Somerset, Lemoyne, Tobyhanna and Beaver
5 County, and assemblies of the Society of Young Magicians are in
6 Hatboro, Tobyhanna and Somerset; therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
8 week of October 25 through 31, 2009, as "Magic Week" in
9 Pennsylvania.