THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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In the House of Representatives, November 13, 1979

- 1 WHEREAS, Retired Senior Citizens are faced with limited
- 2 incomes and sky rocketing costs for medical care; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The National Council on Aging estimates that 86% of
- 4 the persons 65 years of age and older suffer from chronic and
- 5 multiple chronic conditions; and
- 6 WHEREAS, These conditions necessitate a high use of
- 7 prescription drugs by Senior Citizens; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Senior Citizens are living on fixed incomes and,
- 9 therefore, find great difficulty in meeting increased medical
- 10 costs; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The Medicare Program (Title 18 of Federal Social
- 12 Security Act) has been designed to meet the needs of Senior
- 13 Citizens; therefore be it
- 14 RESOLVED (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly
- 15 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania respectfully memorializes
- 16 the President and the Congress of the United States to include

- 1 pharmaceutical needs of Senior Citizens in the Medicare Program;
- 2 and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 4 the President and Vice President of the United States, to the
- 5 Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to each Senator and
- 6 Representative from Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United
- 7 States.