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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY GRUITZA, FARGO, ROBBINS, LaGROTTA, FEE, VEON AND
DOMBROWSKI, JANUARY 26, 1988

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JANUARY 27, 1988

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the civic initiative of the dental profession for
2 establishing the Donated Dental Services program; and urging
3 the participation of all dentists in the program.

4 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Dental Association and the
5 Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped have joined together
6 to create a Donated Dental Services program to meet the oral
7 health care needs of disadvantaged handicapped, medically
8 compromised and elderly Pennsylvanians; and

9 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania dentists have traditionally provided
10 quality care through a system of professional dedication and
11 concern for their patients, including special needs patients
12 whose care poses particular problems for the practitioner; and

13 WHEREAS, The Donated Dental Services program is expected to
14 annually serve approximately 2,500 handicapped, medically
15 compromised and elderly people who, because of their
16 disabilities, have limited income and cannot afford needed
17 dental care; and

18 WHEREAS, The value of anticipated service is expected to

1 exceed \$1.25 million; and

2 WHEREAS, This important contribution by the dental profession
3 to the well-being of Pennsylvania's disabled residents is
4 exemplary and reflects the highest ethical and humanitarian
5 values; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the General Assembly commend the civic
7 initiative of the dental profession in establishing the Donated
8 Dental Services program and urge all dentists to participate in
9 this worthwhile endeavor.