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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 299 Session of  
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KIRKLAND AND DONATUCCI, MAY 6, 2013

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MAY 6, 2013

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of May 2013 as "Celebrate to Live Month"  
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The days of youth represent a vibrant time filled  
4 with an array of challenges and beams of hope and promise for  
5 the future; and

6 WHEREAS, Unfortunately, these years sometimes are accompanied  
7 by a great deal of peer pressure to use alcohol and illegal  
8 drugs as a means of securing false enjoyment; and

9 WHEREAS, When these illegal substances are introduced into  
10 the celebrations and activities of teens, all too often tragedy  
11 results in promising futures being prematurely snuffed out and  
12 lives permanently scarred; and

13 WHEREAS, Additional penalties and consequences follow, as any  
14 minor who purchases, consumes, transports or is in possession of  
15 alcoholic beverages faces a 90-day suspension of driver's

1 license and a fine of up to \$300, and a one-year suspension and  
2 a fine of up to \$500 for a subsequent offense; and

3 WHEREAS, A minor with a blood alcohol content of 0.02% or  
4 greater while driving also faces prosecution for driving under  
5 the influence; and

6 WHEREAS, A minor carrying or using a false identification  
7 card faces a 90-day to one-year license suspension, a fine of up  
8 to \$500 and possible imprisonment of up to 90 days or two years  
9 for a third and subsequent offense; and

10 WHEREAS, A minor under 16 years of age would be subject to  
11 the same criminal sanctions and would not be able to obtain a  
12 driver's license for 90 days, which would not start until the  
13 minor acknowledges the notice of violation to the Department of  
14 Transportation; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
16 month of May 2013 as "Celebrate to Live Month" in Pennsylvania  
17 and urge all teenagers to enjoy the special time of their youth,  
18 but to celebrate and enjoy it responsibly.