THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 178

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. LEVIN AND McCLATCHY, FEBRUARY 6, 1980

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MARCH 25, 1980

In the House of Representatives, February 6, 1980

- 1 WHEREAS, Dr. Solomon Alber, a mathematician, his wife and two
- 2 children have applied for exit visas to emigrate from the Soviet
- 3 Union to Israel; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The request for such visas was denied; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Dr. Alber has lost employment in his profession and
- 6 he and his family have been harassed by the authorities; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Dr. Naum Meiman, a physicist, has also applied for
- 8 an exit visa to leave the Soviet Union and such application was
- 9 denied; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Dr. Meiman has been subjected to harassing
- 11 interrogation by the authorities in spite of advancing age and
- 12 poor health; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Both men have lost their academic freedom in that
- 14 they are denied the right to publish their scientific works; and
- WHEREAS, Temple University has offered a position on the
- 16 staff of the University to both Dr. Alber and Dr. Meiman;

- 1 therefore be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 3 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urgently requests that the
- 4 government of the Soviet Union allow Dr. Alber, his family and

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- 5 Dr. Meiman to emigrate; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 7 Mr. Leonid Brezhnev, President of the Presidium of the Supreme
- 8 Soviet of the U.S.S.R., to Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin of the
- 9 Soviet Union, to President Carter and Secretary of State Cyrus
- 10 Vance.
- 11 RESOLVED, THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 12 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA URGENTLY REQUESTS THE UNITED STATES
- 13 DEPARTMENT OF STATE: (1) TO PETITION THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
- 14 SOVIET UNION TO ALLOW DR. ALBER, HIS FAMILY AND DR. MEIMAN TO
- 15 EMIGRATE AND (2) TO FORWARD COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE
- 16 PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, MR. LEONID BREZHNEV, PRESIDENT
- 17 OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE SUPREME SOVIET OF THE U.S.S.R. AND TO
- 18 AMBASSADOR ANATOLY DOBRYNIN OF THE SOVIET UNION.