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In the House of Representatives, May 4, 1982

- 1 WHEREAS, The continued escalation of the nuclear arms race
- 2 between the Soviet Union and the United States, along with
- 3 nuclear weapons production by a growing number of other nations,
- 4 exacerbates the ominous threat of nuclear war between those
- 5 nations; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Our national security is thereby reduced, not
- 7 increased; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The nuclear arms escalation imposes a tremendous
- 9 drain upon the human and financial resources of the United
- 10 States Government, lessening the availability of those resources
- 11 to meet domestic social goals; and
- 12 WHEREAS, A mutual United States-Soviet "freeze" on further
- 13 testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons has been
- 14 advanced by prominent political, scientific and religious
- 15 leaders as an effective method of arresting the continued
- 16 development of the nuclear danger; and
- 17 WHEREAS, There is an urgent need to create broader public

- 1 awareness of the specter of a nuclear holocaust and to provide a
- 2 means whereby the concerns of Pennsylvania's citizens may be
- 3 communicated to our national nuclear policymakers; therefore be
- 4 it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 6 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby urges the President and the
- 7 Congress of the United States to engage in full public debate to
- 8 inform the citizens of this Commonwealth and this country about
- 9 the potential disasterous effects of a nuclear weapons exchange
- 10 and to immediately seek a mutual, verifiable halt of all further
- 11 testing, production and deployment of nuclear warheads, missiles
- 12 and delivery systems between the United States and the Soviet
- 13 Union and that the money saved be applied to human needs and tax
- 14 reduction; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately
- 16 transmitted to the President of the United States, to each
- 17 member of the Congress of the United States, the President of
- 18 Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, each member of the Supreme
- 19 Soviet of the U.S.S.R., the Soviet Ambassador to the United
- 20 States and the Soviet Ambassador to the United Nations.