THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 33

Session of 1987

INTRODUCED BY McCLATCHY, RYAN, MORRIS, TRELLO, CESSAR, LaGROTTA, BOWSER, GODSHALL, DORR, VROON, J. L. WRIGHT, PHILLIPS, DISTLER, CIMINI, BIRMELIN, GLADECK, JOHNSON, ITKIN, JADLOWIEC, FARGO, DIETTERICK, SCHULER, CARLSON, JACKSON, RAYMOND, FARMER, LUCYK, PERZEL, MOEHLMANN, SHOWERS, COY, CHADWICK, NOYE, BALDWIN, HESS, BOOK, REBER, CLYMER, KENNEY, ANGSTADT, MERRY AND E. Z. TAYLOR, FEBRUARY 24, 1987

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, FEBRUARY 25, 1987

A RESOLUTION

- Congratulating Dennis Conner and the crew of Stars and Stripes on regaining the America's Cup for the United States.
- 3 WHEREAS, The crew of the 12-meter yacht, Stars and Stripes,
- 4 mastered by Dennis Conner, swept the America's Cup contest from
- 5 Australia's Kookaburra III in four straight races in a best of
- 6 seven series; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Dennis Conner is the first American to regain the
- 8 America's Cup after it was lost to Australia in 1983; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Jon Wright, a resident of Rosemont, Pennsylvania,
- 10 and a member of the Wright family renowned for generations of
- 11 sailing expertise and boat building in the Philadelphia/Stone
- 12 Harbor area, served on the Stars and Stripes as the mainsail
- 13 trimmer; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Jim Kavle, another resident of Rosemont,
- 15 Pennsylvania, and noted boatbuilder and second-place winner in

- 1 the 1984 Star Class World Championship Sailing contest, served
- 2 as grinder on the Stars and Stripes; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Over three years of hard work, exhaustive training,
- 4 technological expertise, thoroughness and dedication have
- 5 restored America's Cup to the United States, which, until 1983,
- 6 had kept the Cup for 132 years; therefore be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 8 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania honor and congratulate Dennis
- 9 Conner, skipper, Tom Whidden, tactician, Peter Isler, navigator,
- 10 Jon Wright, mainsheet trimmer, Bill Trenkle, port tailer, Adam
- 11 Ostenfeld, starboard tailer, Jim Kavle, grinder, Henry Childers,
- 12 grinder, Kyle Smith, alternate grinder, Jay Brown, sewerman,
- 13 John Barnitt, mastman, and Scott Vogel, bowman, for their
- 14 outstanding achievement of regaining the America's Cup on a
- 15 brilliant 4-0 victory in Freemantle, Australia; and be it
- 16 further
- 17 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be presented to Jon
- 18 Wright and Jim Kavle of Rosemont, Pennsylvania.