
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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SCHULER, EGOLF, VANCE AND D. W. SNYDER, OCTOBER 3, 1995

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 3, 1995

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Governor to proclaim October 11, 1995, as "Emergency
2 Nurses Day" in this Commonwealth and urging all citizens of
3 Pennsylvania to join in its observance.

4 WHEREAS, October 11, 1995, has been designated as "National
5 Emergency Nurses Day"; and

6 WHEREAS, Emergency nurses are an extremely vital part of the
7 health care and emergency medical care delivery systems in this
8 Commonwealth; and

9 WHEREAS, The vitality of these nurses to our Commonwealth was
10 reemphasized most recently by the passage of Act 82 of 1994, an
11 amendatory act to the Emergency Medical Services Act; this
12 amendatory act provides for the certification of prehospital
13 registered nurses (PHRN) by the Department of Health; and

14 WHEREAS, Emergency nurses practice in a variety of settings,
15 including rural and urban hospitals, trauma centers, clinics,
16 health maintenance organizations, industrial institutions,

1 military settings, ambulatory centers and aeromedical and ground
2 transport vehicles; and

3 WHEREAS, There are several subspecialties of emergency
4 nursing, including pediatrics, trauma management, prehospital
5 care, military, rural aeromedical and trauma, and the
6 collaboration of emergency nurses is also sought for educational
7 programs, disaster planning, organ and tissue procurement,
8 injury prevention campaigns and prehospital care; and

9 WHEREAS, Approximately 45% of all emergency nurses work in
10 hospitals, and there are over 5,000 hospital-based emergency
11 departments and over 70,000 emergency nurses in this country;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, It is fitting to join in the national observance of
14 these dedicated people; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the Governor
16 to proclaim October 11, 1995, as "Emergency Nurses Day" in this
17 Commonwealth; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all citizens
19 of this Commonwealth to join in its observance; and be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That before October 11, 1995, a copy of this
22 resolution be transmitted to Governor Tom Ridge.