
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 428 Session of
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A RESOLUTION

1 Urging sentencing judges to require those who commit acts of
2 defacement to restore the damaged property to its original
3 condition.

4 WHEREAS, Graffiti vandalism contributes to the decay of our
5 society and a decline in property values and perpetuates a lack
6 of respect for the property of others; and

7 WHEREAS, Community service has been shown to be an effective
8 sentence, serving to punish and rehabilitate the offender; and

9 WHEREAS, Repair of damaged property helps to reduce the
10 economic cost to the crime victim; and

11 WHEREAS, The General Assembly, by passing Act 17 of 1994,
12 manifested its intent that, where appropriate, courts should
13 require those who commit acts of defacement to restore the
14 damaged property to its original condition; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all
16 sentencing judges to employ this sentencing option whenever
17 circumstances allow.