## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, NOVEMBER 16, 1999

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating November 1999 as "Velvet Revolution Month" in
- 2 Pennsylvania and recognizing the end of the rule of communist
- 3 dictatorship in Czechoslovakia.
- 4 WHEREAS, November 1999 commemorates the 10th anniversary of
- 5 the historic events which ended the rule of communist
- 6 dictatorship in Czechoslovakia; and
- WHEREAS, On November 17, 1989, a brutal breakup of a mass
- 8 gathering triggered protests against the communist government of
- 9 Czechoslovakia, thus launching the Velvet Revolution; and
- 10 WHEREAS, On January 1, 1993, the Czech Republic and the
- 11 Slovak Republic emerged after a peaceful separation of the Czech
- 12 and Slovak Federal Republic; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The people of the Czech Republic and the Slovak
- 14 Republic are to be commended for their peaceful approach to
- 15 constituting two new countries and congratulated for bringing
- 16 their countries, over the past decade, into the world of freedom
- 17 and democracy; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The people of this Commonwealth hope that prosperity

- and peace will continue to follow the people of the Czech
- 2 Republic and the Slovak Republic; therefore be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate
- November 1999 as "Velvet Revolution Month" in Pennsylvania, and 4
- 5 call upon all residents of this Commonwealth to join in this
- 6 anniversary celebration.