## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 25, 2001

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Urging the Governor to proclaim October 10, 2001, as "Emergency
- 2 Nurses Day" in Pennsylvania; and urging all citizens of this
- 3 Commonwealth to join in its observance.
- 4 WHEREAS, October 10, 2001, 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, Emergency nurses are committed to providing quality
- 10 emergency care; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Emergency nurses have demonstrated their

- 1 professionalism and continually strive to upgrade standards of
- 2 practice and improve services; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Emergency nurses practice in a variety of settings,
- 4 including rural and urban hospitals, trauma centers, clinics,
- 5 health maintenance organizations, industrial institutions,
- 6 military settings, ambulatory centers and aeromedical and ground
- 7 transport vehicles; and
- 8 WHEREAS, There are several subspecialities of emergency
- 9 nursing, including pediatrics, trauma management, prehospital
- 10 care, military, rural aeromedical and trauma; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The collaboration of emergency nurses is also sought
- 12 for educational programs, disaster planning, organ and tissue
- 13 procurement, injury prevention campaigns and prehospital care;
- 14 and
- WHEREAS, Approximately 45% of all emergency nurses work in
- 16 hospitals and there are more than 4,700 hospital-based emergency
- 17 departments and more than 90,000 emergency nurses in this
- 18 country; and
- 19 WHEREAS, It is fitting to join the national observance
- 20 recognizing these dedicated people; therefore be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the Governor
- 22 to proclaim October 10, 2001, as "Emergency Nurses Day" in
- 23 Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all citizens
- 25 of this Commonwealth to join in its observance; and be it
- 26 further
- 27 RESOLVED, That before October 10, 2001, a copy of this
- 28 resolution be transmitted to Governor Thomas J. Ridge.