## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating May 7, 2002, as "Stand Up for Rural Pennsylvania Day."
- 3 WHEREAS, One-fifth of America's population lives in rural
- 4 areas; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is home to one of the largest rural
- 6 populations in the nation; and
- WHEREAS, The Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC),
- 8 the nation's leading nonprofit community development
- 9 organization, through its RURAL LISC component, is coordinating
- 10 a national "Stand Up for Rural America" coalition to help rural
- 11 community developers gain resources and policy support; and
- 12 WHEREAS, RURAL LISC, through financial support from the PEW

- 1 Charitable Trusts, has committed \$18.5 million in funding to
- 2 eight community development corporations to develop better
- 3 housing, job facilities and communities in rural Pennsylvania
- 4 over the next five years; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The Center for Rural Pennsylvania, a legislative
- 6 service agency of the General Assembly, is serving on the LISC
- 7 Rural Pennsylvania Initiative Steering Committee to assist in
- 8 the development and implementation of this project; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Nationwide, May 7, 2002, has been chosen as the day
- 10 to celebrate rural America and the accomplishments of the rural
- 11 coalition; therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives shall hereby
- 13 designate May 7, 2002, as "Stand Up for Rural Pennsylvania Day."