THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 824

Session of 2004

INTRODUCED BY READSHAW, GERGELY, COSTA, BAKER, BALDWIN, BASTIAN, BEBKO-JONES, BIANCUCCI, CALTAGIRONE, CLYMER, DeWEESE, J. EVANS, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FICHTER, GEIST, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HANNA, HARHAI, HARHART, HERMAN, JAMES, KOTIK, LAGROTTA, LEDERER, LESCOVITZ, LEVDANSKY, LEWIS, LYNCH, MAHER, MANN, MARKOSEK, MCCALL, MCILHATTAN, MCILHINNEY, PALLONE, PICKETT, PISTELLA, PRESTON, ROHRER, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SATHER, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, R. STEVENSON, T. STEVENSON, SURRA, TANGRETTI, WALKO, WILT AND WOJNAROSKI, JULY 1, 2004

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JULY 1, 2004

A RESOLUTION

- Welcoming the 35th annual Citgo Bassmaster Classic to Pittsburgh from July 29 through 31, 2005.
- 3 WHEREAS, For most of its 34 years, the Bassmaster Classic has
- 4 been held in southern cities and was held in New Orleans in 2003
- 5 and will be held in Charlotte, North Carolina this year; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Through the efforts of a local Pittsburgh committee,
- 7 the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, the Greater
- 8 Pittsburgh Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Governor's
- 9 Office, Allegheny County, the Pittsburgh Mayor's Office, State
- 10 and local political leaders and others, the City of Pittsburgh
- 11 has been selected as the site of the 35th annual Citgo
- 12 Bassmaster Classic to be held July 29 through 31, 2005; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Pittsburgh thereby becomes the first city in

- 1 Pennsylvania to host this world-class fishing tournament; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Fishing for largemouth bass and smallmouth bass by
- 3 professional and amateur fishermen on the waters of the
- 4 Allegheny, Monongahela, Ohio, Beaver or Youghiogheny rivers
- 5 surrounding Pittsburgh will attract crowds estimated at 70,000
- 6 and revenues approximating \$20 million; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The three-day event is being televised nationally by
- 8 ESPN and is featuring events at the Mellon Arena and the David
- 9 L. Lawrence Convention Center, including the very popular daily
- 10 weigh-ins in Mellon Arena; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The event will advertise the quality of the waters
- 12 and fishing in the Pittsburgh area and establish the eminence of
- 13 its sizeable bass population; therefore be it
- 14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives welcome the 35th
- 15 annual Citgo Bassmaster Classic to Pittsburgh from July 29
- 16 through 31, 2005.