

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY MANN, SAMUELSON, BEYER, BAKER, BALDWIN, BEBKO-JONES, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, BUNT, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, CORRIGAN, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, CRUZ, DENLINGER, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, J. EVANS, FABRIZIO, FORCIER, FRANKEL, GABIG, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARPER, HERSHEY, HESS, JAMES, KOTIK, LEDERER, LEH, MARKOSEK, MCGILL, McILHATTAN, MILLARD, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PARKER, PAYNE, PHILLIPS, RAMALEY, RAPP, READSHAW, REED, REICHLEY, ROBERTS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SATHER, SEMMEL, SHANER, SIPTROTH, B. SMITH, STABACK, TANGRETTI, THOMAS, TIGUE, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD AND YUDICHAK, MARCH 6, 2006

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MARCH 6, 2006

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the Allentown Police Department's completion of the  
2 Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies  
3 Recognition Program and recognition from the Pennsylvania Law  
4 Enforcement Accreditation Commission.

5 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation  
6 Commission (PLEAC) is an accreditation program introduced in  
7 2001 and funded through the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and  
8 Delinquency and aimed at improving the professionalism of  
9 Pennsylvania law enforcement through the identification of 123  
10 law enforcement standards; and

11 WHEREAS, The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement  
12 Agencies (CALEA) was established as an independent accrediting  
13 authority in 1979 by the four major law enforcement  
14 associations: the International Association of Chiefs of Police,

1 the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives,  
2 the National Sheriffs' Association and the Police Executive  
3 Research Forum; and

4 WHEREAS, CALEA was created to develop a set of law  
5 enforcement standards and to establish and administer an  
6 accreditation process through which law enforcement agencies  
7 could voluntarily demonstrate that they meet professionally  
8 recognized criteria for excellence in management and delivery of  
9 service; and

10 WHEREAS, The CALEA recognition program identifies nearly 100  
11 law enforcement standards with which organizations seeking  
12 recognition must comply, including life, health and safety  
13 issues as well as legal issues and other conditions reducing  
14 major risk and liability; and

15 WHEREAS, The men and women of the Allentown Police Department  
16 demonstrated professionalism, dedication and excellence in law  
17 enforcement and service to citizens as they sought to earn CALEA  
18 recognition; and

19 WHEREAS, The City of Allentown became only the 25th agency  
20 accredited through PLEAC when full accreditation was obtained on  
21 March 12, 2005, after upgrades were completed in areas such as  
22 cell block, evidence processing and a revising of their policy  
23 manual; and

24 WHEREAS, CALEA bestowed its highly prized endorsement of law  
25 enforcement professional excellence when it formally recognized  
26 the Allentown Police Department at the 2005 Fall Conference in  
27 Nashville, Tennessee; therefore be it

28 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the  
29 Allentown Police Department's completion of the Commission on  
30 Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies Recognition Program;

1 and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
3 the Allentown Police Department, 425 Hamilton Street, Allentown,  
4 PA 18101.