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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY EACHUS, McCALL, COHEN, PARKER, STABACK, GEORGE, BELFANTI, DONATUCCI, JAMES, MANN, RAMALEY, GRUCELA, SAINATO, GALLOWAY, PETRONE, YOUNGBLOOD, GIBBONS, GEIST, DIGIROLAMO, BEYER, MANTZ, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, CAPPELLI, PHILLIPS, SONNEY, WOJNAROSKI, GINGRICH, TANGRETTI, MUNDY, SANTONI, HERSHEY, MARKOSEK, ROSS, KENNEY, MILLARD, SURRA, CONKLIN, READSHAW, THOMAS, M. SMITH, WALKO, McILHATTAN, SCAVELLO AND CREIGHTON, MARCH 6, 2007

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 6, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Extending condolences to the family and friends of the late
2 Francis Peter Bonner of Hazleton, Luzerne County, and
3 commemorating his achievements and contributions to the
4 people of this Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, Francis Peter Bonner was a graduate of St. Gabriel's
6 High School in Hazleton, Luzerne County, and attended Villanova
7 University, where he pursued graduate and undergraduate studies,
8 and he also attended the Clarion State College Coal Institute,
9 the University of Pittsburgh Coal Gasification, Liquefaction and
10 Conversion to Electricity Conference and the Penn State
11 University Coal Combustion Technology Seminar; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Bonner diligently served working Americans and
13 union members from 1954 through 1960 as a spokesman and leader
14 of the United Mine Workers of America; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Bonner worked towards equal opportunity in

1 employment, housing education and public accommodation as a
2 field investigator for the Department of Labor and Industry and
3 as an administrator for the Pennsylvania Human Relations
4 Commission and the United States Department of Housing and Urban
5 Development; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Bonner continued his career of public service in
7 State government under Governor Milton Shapp, where he was
8 directly responsible for the administration's energy and fuel
9 development programs; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Bonner was the liaison for labor management
11 relations and liaison to the Senate and House of Representatives
12 on matters concerning energy and labor relations, disaster
13 control and relief and industrial development; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Bonner was later appointed to the Pennsylvania
15 Public Utility Commission as a fossil fuels coordinator to
16 further develop programs encouraging the use of coal in electric
17 power generation; and

18 WHEREAS, As President of Bonner Associates of Pennsylvania,
19 Mr. Bonner dedicated himself to energy matters, particularly the
20 use of coal, health care, labor management relations and waste
21 disposal and recovery; and

22 WHEREAS, Mr. Bonner served the people of Pennsylvania in that
23 post from 1982 until his death on January 28, 2007, at 71 years
24 of age; therefore be it

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives extend
26 condolences to the family and friends of the late Francis Peter
27 Bonner and honor and commemorate his lifetime of service and
28 achievement.