## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 114

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY McGEEHAN, ADOLPH, BAKER, BELFANTI, BISHOP, BRENNAN, BUXTON, CAPPELLI, COSTA, COX, CRUZ, DALEY, DENLINGER, DePASQUALE, DERMODY, DONATUCCI, D. EVANS, FABRIZIO, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HANNA, HARPER, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, JAMES, W. KELLER, KENNEY, KILLION, KING, KORTZ, KOTIK, LENTZ, MAHONEY, MANTZ, MARKOSEK, MARSHALL, MARSICO, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MILLARD, MOYER, M. O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PARKER, PAYNE, PICKETT, QUINN, RAMALEY, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROEBUCK, ROHRER, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SANTONI, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SHIMKUS, K. SMITH, M. SMITH, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, STABACK, STERN, R. STEVENSON, STURLA, TANGRETTI, THOMAS, WATSON, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD, MARCH 9, 2007

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MARCH 9, 2007

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Declaring March 2007 as "Irish American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2007, the Irish community in this
- 4 Commonwealth will celebrate the occasion of the feast of the
- 5 glorious Apostle of Ireland, Saint Patrick; and
- 6 WHEREAS, "St. Patrick, the Teacher, Bless our school
- 7 communities and their families" is the theme of the 2007 St.
- 8 Patrick's Day Parade in Philadelphia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Fleeing political, religious and racial persecution
- 10 in their homeland, Irish immigrants arrived on our shores
- 11 penniless and unwanted, yet filled with hope that America held a
- 12 future in which they and their children would enjoy the

- 1 bountiful fruits of a nation founded upon the principles of
- 2 liberty and justice for all; and
- 3 WHEREAS, In every phase of our national history, Irish
- 4 Americans have taken their place at the forefront in the
- 5 political, economic, religious, social and artistic fields; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Their contribution to the good and welfare of this
- 7 Commonwealth is immeasurable and unflinching; therefore be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare March
- 9 2007 to be "Irish American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania and
- 10 extend its felicitations and best wishes to the Irish community
- 11 in this Commonwealth on this momentous occasion; and be it
- 12 further
- 13 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the
- 14 Taoiseach, Bertie Ahern T.D., Upper Merrion Street, Dublin,
- 15 Ireland, and Michael J. Bradley, Jr, St. Patrick's Day
- 16 Observance Association, P.O. Box 32158, Philadelphia,
- 17 Pennsylvania 19146.