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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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J. WHITE, YOUNGBLOOD AND COSTA, MARCH 29, 2007

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
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## A RESOLUTION

1 Acknowledging and commending the University of Pittsburgh's  
2 student organization known as "Keep It Real" (KIR) for  
3 improving the lives of Somali refugees in the Greater  
4 Pittsburgh area.

5 WHEREAS, KIR evolved from a service-learning class at the  
6 University of Pittsburgh into a student-run organization that  
7 serves Somali refugees by tutoring adults and children in  
8 language skills and by helping adult Somalis find employment;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, By its contributions, KIR is not only helping the  
11 economy of the Greater Pittsburgh area but is also improving the  
12 lives of these refugees, thereby fostering the United States  
13 tradition of freedom embodied by the Statue of Liberty;  
14 therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives acknowledge and  
16 commend the University of Pittsburgh's student organization

1 known as "Keep It Real" (KIR) for improving the lives of Somali  
2 refugees in the Greater Pittsburgh area; and be it further  
3       RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
4 Aly Dean, President, "Keep It Real," 923 William Pitt Union,  
5 University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA 15213.