THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 195

Session of 2007

INTRODUCED BY SURRA, BARRAR, BENNINGHOFF, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, COHEN, DALEY, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, DiGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, D. EVANS, EVERETT, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, GALLOWAY, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRELL, GRUCELA, HARHART, HERSHEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, JAMES, M. KELLER, KIRKLAND, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, MAJOR, MANN, MANTZ, MARKOSEK, MCILHATTAN, MILLARD, MYERS, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PARKER, PAYNE, PICKETT, RAMALEY, RAPP, READSHAW, ROSS, SAINATO, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, THOMAS, VEREB, VULAKOVICH, WALKO, WANSACZ, WHEATLEY AND YOUNGBLOOD, APRIL 13, 2007

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 13, 2007

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the week of May 1 through 7, 2007, as "Free and
- 2 Accepted Masons Week" in Pennsylvania and May 4, 2007,
- 3 "Garfield Lodge No. 559 Day" in Dubois, Clearfield County.
- 4 WHEREAS, Freemasonry is the largest and most widely
- 5 established fraternal order in the world devoted to the moral
- 6 principles of equality and peace; and
- WHEREAS, Freemasonry has a membership of 3.6 million people
- 8 in the countries of the free world, including 1.6 million
- 9 members in the United States and more than 125,000 in
- 10 Pennsylvania; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Many of our Founding Fathers were Free and Accepted
- 12 Masons, including our first president, George Washington; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Freemasonry in Pennsylvania dates back to 1731 in

- 1 Philadelphia; and
- WHEREAS, Garfield Lodge No. 559 in DuBois, Clearfield County,
- 3 was constituted in 1882 and continues to instill in its members
- 4 the virtues of charity, benevolence, brotherly love and the
- 5 practice of the moral principles of life; therefore be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 7 week of May 1 through 7, 2007, as "Free and Accepted Masons
- 8 Week" in Pennsylvania and May 4, 2007, "Garfield Lodge No. 559
- 9 Day" in DuBois, Clearfield County.