
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 243 Session of
2007

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VULAKOVICH, J. WHITE, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD,
APRIL 23, 2007

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
APRIL 23, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of May 2007 as "Foster Grandparent Program
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program began on August 28,
4 1965, under the Office of Economic Opportunity; and

5 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program permits persons over
6 60 years of age with limited incomes to engage in
7 intergenerational volunteer service that meets critical
8 community needs; and

9 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program serves children under
10 21 years of age who have special requirements, including
11 children who are mentally or physically challenged, juvenile
12 delinquents and children who are abused, neglected, learning-
13 disabled or come from a low-income family background; and

1 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program enables participating
2 children to improve their physical, mental, emotional and social
3 development and attain educational goals through tutoring,
4 mentoring, counseling and other personal support services; and

5 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program greatly enriches the
6 lives of the children as well as the adult volunteers; and

7 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program has grown from a few
8 programs in several states to 337 programs in all 50 states, the
9 District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the
10 Virgin Islands; and

11 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program has approximately
12 31,000 volunteers and serves more than 1 million children and
13 youth annually; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize and
15 commend the immeasurable contributions of the Foster Grandparent
16 Program and its volunteers in this Commonwealth; and be it
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
19 month of May 2007 as "Foster Grandparent Program Month" in
20 Pennsylvania.