

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
DECEMBER 10, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating its dear friend and colleague, Dr. Paula K. Hess,
2 on her retirement from the House of Representatives.

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Paula K. Hess has announced that she will retire
4 from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives at the end of
5 2007; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Hess is a true professional with extensive
7 academic training, including a doctoral degree in education, and
8 an exceptionally varied work experience that includes service as
9 a coordinator for educational and cultural services to
10 Indochinese refugees, service as a public school teacher for

1 eight years and employment with both the Pennsylvania State
2 Education Association and the Pennsylvania Association of School
3 Administrators; and

4 WHEREAS, Having served as the director of legislation for
5 Majority Leader Samuel E. Hayes, Jr., Dr. Hess began her career
6 in State government in 1982 and continued her service as the
7 Director of the Republican Legislative Research Department and
8 the senior advisor to the Republican leadership team; and

9 WHEREAS, Known as "Doc" by her colleagues, Dr. Hess has
10 become the leading expert in this Commonwealth on educational
11 policy and has been the creative force behind every major
12 educational reform for the last 25 years; and

13 WHEREAS, These reforms have included the Education
14 Empowerment Act and legislation establishing Disruptive Students
15 Programs, the Reading to Succeed Program and Pennsylvania
16 Accountability Grants, which have contributed to making the
17 Commonwealth's educational system world-class; and

18 WHEREAS, The ultimate example of a public servant, Dr. Hess
19 has been a mentor to her colleagues; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Hess has truly heeded the adage to leave the
21 world a better place; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives warmly
23 congratulate its dear friend and colleague, Dr. Paula K. Hess,
24 on her retirement from the House of Representatives; and be it
25 further

26 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
27 Dr. Paula K. Hess.