

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 400 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY CAUSER, BAKER, RAPP, GABLER, BEAR, BOYD, BRADFORD, BRENNAN, BROOKS, CALTAGIRONE, CLYMER, COHEN, D. COSTA, DALEY, DAY, DENLINGER, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, ELLIS, EVERETT, FLECK, GEIST, GEORGE, GILLEN, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRELL, HESS, HICKERNELL, M. K. KELLER, KILLION, KORTZ, KULA, MAJOR, MARSICO, MILLARD, MURT, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PICKETT, READSHAW, REED, ROCK, ROSS, SCAVELLO, SONNEY, TAYLOR, THOMAS AND VEREB, SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

A RESOLUTION

1 Memorializing the 100th anniversary of the Austin Flood that
2 occurred on September 30, 1911, in Austin, Potter County,
3 Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, Austin Borough is holding a centennial celebration
5 from September 30 through October 2, 2011, memorializing the
6 Austin Flood tragedy; and

7 WHEREAS, On September 30, 1911, at approximately 2:30 p.m.,
8 the Bayless Dam burst and the floodwaters engulfed the town of
9 approximately 3,000 inhabitants, resulting in more than 80
10 deaths and leaving a mass of wreckage in its wake; and

11 WHEREAS, The Austin Flood was the second-worst flood disaster
12 in Pennsylvania history; and

13 WHEREAS, The Borough of Austin will be celebrating the 100th
14 anniversary of the Austin Flood during the week of September 30
15 through October 2, 2011, with various activities; therefore be

1 it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives memorialize the
3 100th anniversary of the Austin Flood that occurred on September
4 30, 1911; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That all residents of this Commonwealth be
6 encouraged to observe this historic event and, if possible, to
7 be a part of the festivities at Austin Borough, Potter County,
8 Pennsylvania, during the week of September 30 through October 2,
9 2011.