

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, FEBRUARY 29, 2012

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of March 4 through 10, 2012, as "National
 2 Consumer Protection Week" in Pennsylvania and emphasizing the
 3 important role of consumer education in making smart
 4 financial decisions.

5 WHEREAS, According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC),
 6 consumers conduct some type of financial transaction requiring
 7 an educated decision every day; and

8 WHEREAS, National Consumer Protection Week (NCPW) highlights
 9 consumer protection and education efforts around the country;
 10 and

11 WHEREAS, Financially savvy consumers are more likely to make
 12 smarter decisions about managing their finances, using credit
 13 wisely and building a solid financial foundation later; and

14 WHEREAS, Together with Federal, State and local government
 15 agencies, financial institutions and other consumer advocacy
 16 organizations, the General Assembly encourages everyone to

1 gather and share information and to become more confident, savvy
2 and safe in the marketplace; and

3 WHEREAS, According to the FTC, consumer information can help
4 people recognize a rip-off, scam or other fraud; and

5 WHEREAS, A number of free resources will be available to help
6 community organizations empower consumers with information on
7 how to manage their money and use credit wisely; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
9 week of March 4 through 10, 2012, as "National Consumer
10 Protection Week" in Pennsylvania and call upon government
11 officials, industry leaders and consumer advocates from across
12 the Commonwealth to provide consumers information about the use
13 and misuse of personal information, credit card scams and fraud
14 in order to safeguard the economic future of Pennsylvanians and
15 all Americans; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
17 the Office of the Governor of Pennsylvania, the Bureau of
18 Consumer Protection within the Office of Attorney General, the
19 Office of Small Business Advocate, the Association of American
20 Retired Persons, the Federal Trade Commission and to each member
21 of Congress from Pennsylvania.