

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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VEREB, WATERS, WATSON AND SCHMOTZER, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Mr. Andrew J. Sordoni III for his outstanding and  
2 dedicated service to society, including his 40 years of  
3 service as a member of the board of directors of the  
4 Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry.

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Andrew J. Sordoni III is a lifelong resident of  
6 Luzerne County and has been active in business and civic and  
7 political affairs in this Commonwealth; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni has served as an officer of Sordoni  
9 Construction Services for more than 30 years; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni has held executive responsibilities in  
11 firms engaged in manufacturing, hotel management and real estate  
12 development; and

13 WHEREAS, From 1979 to 1993, Mr. Sordoni was a leader of the  
14 C-TEC Corporation, and during that time the corporation became  
15 one of America's best known diversified telecommunications  
16 companies; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni has also served as an independent  
2 director of many businesses, including the Harsco Corporation  
3 where he serves as director; and

4 WHEREAS, In 1994, Mr. Sordoni served as chairman of the  
5 transition team for the Pennsylvania Department of Commerce; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni served as a key leader in the formation  
7 of a consortium of providers which became the NPW Medical  
8 Center, a part of the Geisinger system, where he serves as a  
9 trustee; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni is also a philanthropist who has  
11 dedicated much of his time and resources to charitable causes;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Since 1974, Mr. Sordoni has headed the Sordoni  
14 Foundation, Inc., which is devoted to philanthropy in arts and  
15 culture, education, health care, social services and nature and  
16 the environment; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni was elected to the board of directors of  
18 the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry in 1972, has  
19 served on virtually all of its standing committees and has  
20 served as chairman of several of its ad hoc committees,  
21 including Keep Pennsylvanians Working, the Long-range Planning  
22 Committee and the Capital Campaign; and

23 WHEREAS, During his 40 years of service to the chamber, he  
24 served as chairman from 1982 to 1984; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni will retire from the chamber at the end  
26 of this year as the longest serving member in history; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni enjoys collecting art and specializes in  
28 American art, particularly illustration and the world of comics  
29 and adventure; and

30 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni also produces jazz recordings for his

1 own company, CHIAROSCURO Records; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni is married to Dr. Susan Sordoni and  
3 together the couple have five children and one grandchild; and

4 WHEREAS, For his outstanding contributions to society, Mr.  
5 Sordoni has been granted honorary doctoral degrees from Kings  
6 College, Luzerne County Community College and Wilkes University;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Sordoni has also received numerous awards,  
9 including the Grand Prix du Disque de Jazz from France and the  
10 Medal of the Westmoreland Museum of Art; and

11 WHEREAS, It is fitting to recognize the outstanding  
12 contributions that Mr. Sordoni has made to society; therefore be  
13 it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor Mr. Andrew  
15 J. Sordoni III for his outstanding and dedicated service to  
16 society, including his 40 years of service as a member of the  
17 board of directors of the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and  
18 Industry.