## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating June 8, 2015, as "Mutual Insurance Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth was is the birthplace of the
- 4 United States insurance industry; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The first insurance company in the United States was
- 6 a mutual insurance company, the Philadelphia Contributorship,
- 7 which was founded by Benjamin Franklin in 1753, in Philadelphia;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mutual insurance companies are a major economic
- 10 force in this Commonwealth with \$3.4 billion in property and
- 11 casualty insurance premiums annually used to pay claims and
- 12 salaries of employees; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mutual insurance companies are also a significant
- 14 contributor to State and local governments because of the
- 15 premium taxes those companies pay to the Commonwealth and
- 16 property taxes paid to municipalities and school districts; and
- 17 WHEREAS, The contribution of mutual insurance companies to
- 18 Pennsylvania communities cannot be overstated given that mutual

- 1 insurance companies are at the core of community service,
- 2 provide jobs and contribute significantly to the cultural and
- 3 social life of their communities; and
- WHEREAS, Since 1990, the Pennsylvania Association of Mutual
- 5 Insurance Companies has communicated the value of mutual
- 6 insurance companies to this Commonwealth and to consumers in
- 7 this Commonwealth by way of its annual "Mutual Insurance Day;"
- 8 therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate June 8,
- 10 2015, as "Mutual Insurance Day" in Pennsylvania in honor of the
- 11 60th observance of "Mutual Insurance Day" by the Pennsylvania
- 12 Association of Mutual Insurance Companies and wish the managers,
- 13 employees and policyholders of mutual insurance companies good
- 14 fortune in the days to come.