
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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FREEMAN, MILLARD, LONGIETTI, BERNSTINE, KORTZ, KINSEY AND
WARREN, JANUARY 13, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, JANUARY 13, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of January 20 through 26, 2020, as
2 "Community Risk Reduction Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Every 24 seconds, a fire department in the United
4 States responds to a fire; and

5 WHEREAS, Every 63 seconds, a fire occurs in a structure and
6 every 88 seconds, a home fire occurs; and

7 WHEREAS, In 2017, 77% of all fire-related deaths occurred in
8 the home; and

9 WHEREAS, In 2017, an estimated \$23 billion in property damage
10 occurred as a result of fire; and

11 WHEREAS, Fire services respond to a growing number of medical
12 calls for service, surpassing 80% of the total call volume in
13 some jurisdictions; and

14 WHEREAS, "Community Risk Reduction Week" is a grassroots
15 initiative of fire service professionals across the nation to
16 raise awareness of the importance of Community Risk Reduction
17 (CRR) in the fire service community and an opportunity to make

1 communities safer; and

2 WHEREAS, CRR is a data-informed process to identify and
3 prioritize local risks, followed by integrated and strategic
4 investment of resources to reduce their occurrence and impact;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, The value of community support from national, State
7 and local partners to address community risks is recognized to
8 meet the demands on paid, combination and volunteer members of
9 fire services; and

10 WHEREAS, The goal of CRR is to reduce the occurrence and
11 impact of emergency events for community members and emergency
12 responders through deliberate action in the areas of the Five
13 E's of Education, Engineering, Enforcement, Emergency response
14 and Economic incentive; and

15 WHEREAS, Most fire-related and many medical calls for service
16 are preventable, with the Five E's performed as part of an
17 integrated CRR program; and

18 WHEREAS, "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day" is January 20,
19 2020, and nationally recognized as a National Day of Service and
20 an opportunity for communities to reduce the risk in their
21 community through a series of educational and other programs;
22 therefore be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
24 week of January 20 through 26, 2020, as "Community Risk
25 Reduction Week" in Pennsylvania.