

March 29, 2011

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** ALL HOUSE MEMBERS  
**FROM:** REPRESENTATIVE SID MICHAELS KAVULICH  
**SUBJECT:** Slovak Catholic Federation Day in Pennsylvania Resolution

I will soon introduce a resolution designating May 15, 2011 as “Slovak Catholic Federation Day” in Pennsylvania and congratulating the group upon the centennial anniversary of its founding.

The Slovak Catholic Federation will mark its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of working to improve life in Pennsylvania with a Liturgy of Thanksgiving on May 15 in the Cathedral Church of Saint Peter in Scranton. Jozef Murgas, pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Slovak Church, Wilkes-Barre, PA, in the Diocese of Scranton, founded the organization on February 11, 1911. The group has worked according to the following goals:

- Promote Slovak Catholic heritage and its awareness among Slovak Catholics.
- Continue the apostolic tradition of Saints Cyril and Methodius in proclaiming the Gospel through works of faith, charity, education and pilgrimage.
- Establish and maintain bonds of fraternal cooperation and promote gatherings among Slovak Catholic Societies and Slovak Catholics in the United States.
- Assist and support the Catholic Church and support vocations to the ordained ministry and religious life, both in the United States and Slovakia.

Through its pastoral efforts over the past century, the Slovak Catholic Federation has assisted in improving the quality of life in Pennsylvania. I ask you to join with me in sponsoring this resolution honoring the group for its good work over the past 100 years and wishing it many more successful years by contacting Debbie Wegert in my office at [dwegert@pahouse.net](mailto:dwegert@pahouse.net) or by calling her at (717) 783-4874. Thank you.