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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

All Members

FROM:

Representative Margo Davidson

DATE:

March 7, 2012

RE:

Co-sponsorship Request - "Eat for Peace Day"

In the near future, I will be re-introducing a resolution recognizing April 11, 2012, as "Eat for Peace Day" in Pennsylvania...

As many of you may remember from my initial introduction of this resolution last year, the "Eat for Peace Day" concept evolved from the unique experiences of Mr. Anthony Lucidonio, Jr., a resident of the Philadelphia area. Specifically, it was during Mr. Lucidonio's time in the country of Bahrain that he observed firsthand the phenomenon of healthy and positive relationships being forged between the multinational patrons who dined at his restaurant, Tony Luke's.

Once again, following the lead of Mr. Lucidonio's exportation of this much needed concept to our Commonwealth; it is paramount that we as legislators continue in the fashion of promoting cooperation, understanding and tolerance between those of differing ethnicities, cultures and religions. As such, it is with great honor that I recognize the date of April 11, 2012, as "Eat for Peace Day" in Pennsylvania. By continuing to recognize and embrace such a concept, we as human beings can say with the deepest of convictions that we have done our due diligence in making Pennsylvania, if not the world, a much better place to live.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Dawn Coleman at 717-783-4907 x or 6308 or via email at DColeman@pahouse.net .

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing April 11, 2012, as "Eat for Peace Day" in
- 2 Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, "Eat for Peace Day" was inspired by Philadelphian
- 4 Anthony Lucidonio, Jr., after opening his restaurant, Tony
- 5 Luke's, in Bahrain; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives understands the need
- 7 for people from all walks of life to recognize and appreciate
- 8 cultural differences; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Respectful collaboration among all nationalities,
- 10 customs and backgrounds is key in creating and maintaining a
- 11 peaceful world; and
- 12 WHEREAS, All people need to recognize the differences between
- 13 themselves and others and engage in the understanding of others;
- 14 and
- WHEREAS, Regardless of race or ethnicity, all individuals
- 16 strive for happiness; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Anthony Lucidonio, Jr., found through his
- 18 experiences that when people eat together they share cultural
- 19 experiences and deepen understanding and peace between

- 1 individuals; and
- WHEREAS, "Eat for Peace Day" asks that all people share a
- 3 meal with persons of various backgrounds and thereby take a
- 4 stride toward peace by shedding their stereotypes and
- 5 prejudices; therefore be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage
- 7 individuals to dine with people of diverse customs in order to
- 8 bring peace among different races and religions; and be it
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize April
- 11 11, 2012, as "Eat for Peace Day" in Pennsylvania, in order to
- 12 encourage all societies to recognize differences in cultures and
- 13 accept those differences to attain acceptance and peace around
- 14 the world.