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TO: All House Members
FROM: Rep. Kurt A. Masser
RE: Resolution designating July 11, 2012 as "Safe Haven Day" in Pennsylvania

I will introduce a resolution designating July 11, 2012 as "Safe Haven Day" in Pennsylvania.

On July 11, 2001, an infant was found in a garbage dumping bin compactor at the Sunbury Municipal Transfer Station. The infant, given the name "Baby Mary", was murdered by her mother shortly after her birth. The public outcry over the murder of "Baby Mary" led the General Assembly to pass the Safe Haven Act of 2002. The Safe Haven Act of 2002 allow parents of a newborn to leave the newborn in the care of a hospital without fear of criminal liability provided that certain criteria are met. The act has been credited with saving the lives of numerous children. July 11, 2012 will mark the 11th anniversary of the birth and death of "Baby Mary"

If you would like to join me as a cosponsor of this resolution remembering the life of "Baby Mary" and recognizing the law she inspired, please contact Cindy Abbott in my Harrisburg office at cabbott@pahousegop.com.