

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

RESOLUTION

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See next page for additional co-sponsors.

<b>Referred to Committee on</b>	
Date _____	20____
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<b>As Committed-Amended</b>	
<b>Recommendation</b>	
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<b>By Hon.</b> _____	

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Foster Grandparent  
2 Program administered by Family Services of Montgomery County,  
3 a nonprofit social service agency.

4 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program has enabled low-  
5 income senior residents of Montgomery County to share their  
6 knowledge and experience with vulnerable and at-risk children  
7 and youths; and

8 WHEREAS, Foster grandparents volunteer 15 hours per week in  
9 varied settings, including Montgomery County schools, day-care  
10 centers and Head Start facilities; and

11 WHEREAS, They make this commitment for the benefit of  
12 children and youths facing mental or physical challenges or  
13 learning disabilities and those who have experienced poverty,  
14 abuse, neglect or delinquency; and

15 WHEREAS, The continuity of the unique intergenerational  
16 relationships contributes to the growth of the younger  
17 participants; and

18 WHEREAS, Participating children and youths improve their

1 physical, mental, emotional and social development; and

2 WHEREAS, Participating children and youths attain educational  
3 goals through tutoring, mentoring, counseling and access to  
4 other personal support services; and

5 WHEREAS, The direct interaction with the younger participants  
6 enriches the adult volunteers and strengthens communities within  
7 Montgomery County; and

8 WHEREAS, Participating volunteers receive related training as  
9 well as a tax-free stipend, free transportation and free meals  
10 while working; and

11 WHEREAS, Their work is acknowledged during an annual  
12 recognition event; and

13 WHEREAS, Conceptualized by Sargent Shriver in the early  
14 1960s, the Foster Grandparent Program was established in 1965 as  
15 part of President Lyndon Johnson's antipoverty reforms; and

16 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program reflects a proud  
17 tradition of community action in Montgomery County; and

18 WHEREAS, The Foster Grandparent Program significantly impacts  
19 young people having special or exceptional needs in their  
20 formative years and actively engages the adult volunteers;  
21 therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
23 50th anniversary of the Foster Grandparent Program administered  
24 by Family Services of Montgomery County, a nonprofit social  
25 service agency; and be it further

26 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
27 the Foster Grandparent Program, 1335 Ridge Pike, Eagleville, PA  
28 19403.