THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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ADOPTED, MARCH 16, 1987

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Proclaiming March 15 through 21, 1987, as "Poison Prevention 2 Week."
- 3 WHEREAS, Our society has become increasingly dependent on

household chemicals to aid us in daily life and on medicine to
provide health-giving benefits; and

3 WHEREAS, These products, when not used as intended or 4 directed, may be hazardous, particularly if children gain access 5 to them; and

6 WHEREAS, Every 30 seconds, a child under five years of age 7 suffers the terror and pain of an accidental poisoning; and 8 WHEREAS, Many communities in this Commonwealth have been observing "Poison Prevention Week" to call attention to these 9 10 hazards and how proper handling and disposal of these substances 11 and proper use of safety packaging can help eliminate them; and 12 WHEREAS, The efforts of our community organizations, complemented by the efforts of county health departments, county 13 pharmaceutical associations, hospital pharmacists associations, 14 15 and the State poison control network have reduced childhood 16 poisonings through education and the use of the nationally 17 recognized poison warning symbol, "Mr. Yuk"; and 18 WHEREAS, With the leadership of Children's Hospital of 19 Pittsburgh, where "Mr. Yuk" began, these educational programs 20 must continue to expand to ensure against the possibility of even one child's misfortune; therefore be it 21 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives proclaim March 15 through 21, 1987, as "Poison Prevention Week" in this 23 24 Commonwealth, and urge the appropriate agencies in our local 25 governments to continue their cooperation with concerned 26 citizens and community organizations, including our schools, to 27 develop programs which will alert our people to the continued 28 danger of poisons.