
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 22, 2002

A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating November 2002 as "National Adoption Awareness
2 Month."

3 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is committed to helping to find
4 safe, permanent and loving homes for children in need of such
5 homes through adoption; and

6 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has demonstrated this commitment
7 through its many programs, including the Pennsylvania Adoption
8 Exchange, the Statewide Adoption Network, the World Wide Web
9 site www.adoptpakids.org, and the toll-free hotline 1-800-585-
10 SWAN; and

1 WHEREAS, Despite these many successes, there is still a need
2 for permanent, loving homes for as many as 4,144 children in
3 this Commonwealth; and

4 WHEREAS, The many caring families that open their arms and
5 hearts to children through adoption need to be recognized and
6 honored; and

7 WHEREAS, November 2002 marks the 12th anniversary of Adoption
8 Month observances in the United States and the 26th anniversary
9 of the nation's first Adoption Week; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Commonwealth commemorate November 2002 as
11 "National Adoption Awareness Month" and recommit itself through
12 such commemoration to the goal of helping to find permanent,
13 loving homes for every child in this Commonwealth who needs one.