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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 895      Session of  
2004

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INTRODUCED BY REICHLEY, MUSTIO, GEORGE, READSHAW, ARMSTRONG,  
BAKER, BOYD, BUNT, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CAWLEY, DeWEESE,  
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SOLOBAY, STABACK, R. STEVENSON, T. STEVENSON, WASHINGTON,  
WATSON, WILT, YOUNGBLOOD AND MARSICO, OCTOBER 18, 2004

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, OCTOBER 18, 2004

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Requesting the Pennsylvania Congressional Delegation to work to  
2 permanently abolish the death tax.

3 WHEREAS, Under tax relief legislation passed in 2001, the  
4 death tax was temporarily phased out but not permanently  
5 eliminated; and

6 WHEREAS, Farmers and other small business owners face losing  
7 their farms and businesses if the Federal Government resumes the  
8 heavy taxation of citizens at death; and

9 WHEREAS, The death tax is particularly damaging to families  
10 who are trying to accumulate wealth for the first time; and

11 WHEREAS, Employees suffer layoffs when small or medium  
12 businesses are liquidated to pay death taxes; and

13 WHEREAS, Having repeatedly passed in each house of the  
14 Congress of the United States, repeal of the death tax holds  
15 wide bipartisan support; therefore be it

1       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the  
2 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania request the Pennsylvania  
3 Congressional Delegation to support, work to pass and vote for  
4 the immediate and permanent repeal of the death tax; and be it  
5 further

6       RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
7 the members of Congress from Pennsylvania.