THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY SALVATORE AND McGINNIS, JUNE 4, 1975

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In the House of Representatives, June 4, 1975

- 1 WHEREAS, The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of
- 2 Pennsylvania has repeatedly provided restricted public funding
- 3 to assist the children of Pennsylvania who are being educated in
- 4 private schools, and
- 5 WHEREAS, These children are being trained as citizens in a
- 6 wholesome atmosphere, and attended to by teachers of good
- 7 character and of the highest motivation in producing future
- 8 citizens who will care for their family, their community, and
- 9 their Country, and
- 10 WHEREAS, The Supreme Court of the United States has
- 11 continually ruled that these efforts are in defiance of the
- 12 United States Constitution's prohibition against the involvement
- 13 of government in the fostering of, or preservation of, religion-
- 14 related institutions, and
- 15 WHEREAS, These decisions have created a sense of
- 16 disenchantment and confusion within the State of Pennsylvania,
- 17 and
- 18 WHEREAS, Citizens and Legislators view the decisions with

- 1 bewilderment because they hold knowledge of a vast array of
- 2 activities marked by interinvolvement of Church and State which
- 3 the United States Supreme Court knows about, permits and
- 4 encourages, and,
- 5 WHEREAS, It is important to the Country that citizens hold
- 6 trust that the United States Supreme Court is indeed committed
- 7 to pure allegiance to what it believes to be Constitutional
- 8 principle; therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, (the Senate Concurring) That the General Assembly
- 10 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize the Congress of
- 11 the United States to propose an amendment to the Constitution of
- 12 the United States to permit non-sectarian aid to non-public
- 13 schools; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 15 the presiding officers of each House of the Congress of the
- 16 United States and to each Senator and Representative from
- 17 Pennsylvania in the Congress of the United States.