

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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In the House of Representatives, October 26, 1977

1 WHEREAS, The government of South Africa has banned eighteen
2 anti-apartheid organizations, and

3 WHEREAS, That government placed in detention many individuals
4 who have spoken out against the white minority government and
5 its brutal apartheid policies, and

6 WHEREAS, That government has effectively stopped the presses
7 of several newspapers, including the respected newspaper "The
8 World," and

9 WHEREAS, Such action by the government of South Africa
10 amounts to the suppression of freedom of speech, freedom of the
11 press and freedom of association, and

12 WHEREAS, There is a moral obligation binding on the House of
13 Representatives of this Commonwealth to speak out concerning the
14 suppression of human rights; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
16 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania denounces and condemns the
17 government of South Africa for these repressive actions; and be

1 it further

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives memorializes the
3 Congress of the United States to enact political and economical
4 sanctions against the government of South Africa for the
5 duration of such repressive acts; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
7 the Speaker of the House, the President pro tempore of the
8 Senate and to each Senator and Congressman from Pennsylvania.