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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Calling on the Congress of the United States and the Department  
2 of Justice to independently investigate allegations that the  
3 United States Government through the Central Intelligence  
4 Agency was involved in covert operations in Nicaragua which  
5 resulted in the escalating illegal drug trade in communities  
6 throughout the United States.

7 WHEREAS, It has been revealed in the news media that  
8 allegations have been raised concerning the sale of illegal  
9 drugs in the United States with the knowledge of the Central  
10 Intelligence Agency (CIA) on behalf of and to support the  
11 efforts of the Nicaraguan Contra Army; and

12 WHEREAS, These reports further allege that as far back as at  
13 least the 1980's drugs were funneled into America's inner cities  
14 to be sold to gangs such as the Crips and Bloods in order to, at  
15 a minimum, partially finance the activities of the CIA-supported  
16 Nicaraguan Contra Army; and

17 WHEREAS, These allegations raise serious and very disturbing  
18 questions and further support long-standing suspicions that  
19 there is a connection between drugs in the inner city and the

1 CIA and United States foreign policy activities; and

2 WHEREAS, These allegations must be fully and thoroughly  
3 investigated in order to punish those involved and correct any  
4 damage which may have resulted if the allegations prove to be  
5 true and to calm community suspicions and fears if the  
6 allegations are found to be without merit; and

7 WHEREAS, United States Senators Barbara Boxer and Diane  
8 Feinstein along with Members of Congress Tom Barrat, Donald  
9 Payne and Maxine Waters have individually called for an  
10 investigation into these allegations, the Pennsylvania  
11 Legislative Black Caucus has called for an investigation, and  
12 the City Councils of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Los  
13 Angeles, California, have passed resolutions calling for  
14 investigations into these allegations; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives call upon the  
16 Congress of the United States and the Department of Justice to  
17 conduct an immediate, thorough and independent investigation of  
18 the allegations of previous and ongoing sales of illegal street  
19 drugs in urban communities in the United States with the  
20 knowledge of the Central Intelligence Agency, a United States  
21 government entity, to support the efforts of the Nicaraguan  
22 Contra Army; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
24 the Attorney General of the United States, to the presiding  
25 officers of each house of Congress and to each member of  
26 Congress from Pennsylvania.