THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 8

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INTRODUCED BY CAWLEY, JANUARY 23, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JANUARY 23, 2001

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Urging the Governor to strongly support the removal of all
- 2 wastes resulting from lead contamination from the former
- 3 Marjol Battery site in Throop, Lackawanna County,
- 4 Pennsylvania.
- 5 WHEREAS, Marjol Battery manufactured batteries in Throop,
- 6 Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania; and
- WHEREAS, As a result of many years of manufacturing
- 8 batteries, a serious lead contamination problem exists; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) presented
- 10 a plan for cleanup which would leave most of the lead waste on
- 11 the Marjol site and bury it under an impermeable ten-acre cap;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, After much protest from the local community, State
- 14 legislative and congressional representatives, the EPA has
- 15 agreed to postpone its final solution to this problem until
- 16 March 31, 2001; and
- 17 WHEREAS, This delay will give a Federal ombudsman time to
- 18 finish reviewing the EPA's plan and make his recommendations for

- 1 solution; and
- 2 WHEREAS, United States Senator Arlen Specter, United States
- 3 Representative Don Sherwood and State Representative Gaynor
- 4 Cawley are determined to see a total cleanup of Marjol that is
- 5 consistent with public health concerns; therefore be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the Governor
- 7 to strongly support the removal of all wastes resulting from
- 8 lead contamination at the former Marjol Battery site in Throop.