
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 287 Session of
2001

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 25, 2001

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring October 2001 as "White Cane Month" in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, The use of a cane for the visually impaired dates
3 back to biblical times when a shepherd's staff was used as an
4 aid for solitary travel; and

5 WHEREAS, After World War I the cane was promoted for use by
6 the visually impaired; and

7 WHEREAS, Lions International promoted the white cane as a
8 protective device for the blind in 1931 at its convention in
9 Toronto, Canada; and

1 WHEREAS, The white cane is a symbol of blindness, courage and
2 independent spirit; and

3 WHEREAS, Individuals use many types of canes, including
4 identification, white support and long canes, depending on their
5 visual impairment and other factors; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives, on the 70th
7 anniversary of the promotion of the white cane, declare the
8 month of October 2001 as "White Cane Month" in Pennsylvania.