THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 339 Session of 2003

INTRODUCED BY E. Z. TAYLOR, GINGRICH, MAJOR, ROSS, ARGALL, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BALDWIN, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BIANCUCCI, BOYD, BROWNE, BUNT, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CLYMER, CORRIGAN, COY, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, CRUZ, DENLINGER, DERMODY, DeWEESE, DiGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, D. EVANS, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FICHTER, FLICK, FORCIER, FRANKEL, GABIG, GEIST, GEORGE, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARRIS, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HICKERNELL, JAMES, JOSEPHS, KELLER, KIRKLAND, LAUGHLIN, LEDERER, LEH, LEWIS, MAITLAND, MANDERINO, MARKOSEK, McGILL, McILHATTAN, McNAUGHTON, PICKETT, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROHRER, RUBLEY, SANTONI, SATHER, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STURLA, THOMAS, TIGUE, TRUE, WALKO, WANSACZ, WASHINGTON, WATSON, WHEATLEY, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD, JUNE 26, 2003

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 26, 2003

A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating the week of September 21 through 27, 2003, as "Voter Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, The cornerstone of a democracy is an educated,
4	informed and participatory electorate; and
5	WHEREAS, Voting is the voluntary act of an individual
6	expressing his or her belief in a representative democracy; and
7	WHEREAS, The right to vote is perhaps the most basic and
8	fundamental of all the rights guaranteed by our democratic form
9	of government; and
10	WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Voter Hall of Fame was established
11	to acknowledge and honor citizens of this Commonwealth who have

demonstrated a commitment to democracy by voting in every 1 November election for at least 50 consecutive years; and 2 3 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Vote With a Vet Program was 4 established to encourage voter participation among our high school youths of voting age and to teach them about the 5 sacrifices our veterans have made; and 6 7 WHEREAS, Voter awareness leads to a healthy democracy in 8 which citizens have the information and skills to participate 9 effectively in all aspects of civic life; and 10 WHEREAS, Voter awareness campaigns and get-out-the-vote efforts emphasize the importance of voting and registering to 11 12 vote; therefore be it 13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the week of September 21 through 27, 2003, as "Voter Awareness Week" 14

15 in Pennsylvania.