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## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating July 16, 2004, as "Atomic Veterans Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The health of more than 250,000 veterans and their  
4 children may have been adversely affected as a result of the  
5 United States detonation of nuclear weapons between 1945 and  
6 1965; and

7 WHEREAS, Some of those veterans are residents of  
8 Pennsylvania; and

9 WHEREAS, The National Association of Atomic Veterans (NAAV)  
10 seeks to locate and help these veterans and their genetically  
11 affected children in obtaining medical treatment and assistance;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, By engaging in a national research and education  
3 effort for atomic veterans, NAAV is promoting early detection of  
4 medical problems and research and documentation of the  
5 connection between radiation exposure and resultant cancer and  
6 other debilitating, degenerative diseases and genetic mutations  
7 in offspring; and

8 WHEREAS, The 59th anniversary of the first experimental  
9 explosion of an atomic weapon is on July 16, 2004; therefore be  
10 it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate July  
12 16, 2004, as "Atomic Veterans Day" in Pennsylvania and urge all  
13 those who participated in United States atmospheric nuclear  
14 weapons tests or in the United States occupation of Hiroshima  
15 and Nagasaki following World War II to contact the National  
16 Association of Atomic Veterans, P.O. Box 11517, Chandler, AZ  
17 85248.