

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 796 Session of
2004

INTRODUCED BY CREIGHTON, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BALDWIN, BEBKO-JONES,
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ALLEN, HERSHEY, BASTIAN, YOUNGBLOOD, HARHAI, LEWIS AND GEIST,
JUNE 17, 2004

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JUNE 17, 2004

A RESOLUTION

1 Extending commendation and appreciation to the Southern
2 Pennsylvania Amateur Radio Club, Inc. (SPARC) for its
3 emergency preparedness work, with best wishes for success in
4 Field Day 2004.

5 WHEREAS, Formed in June 1960, SPARC has served well in
6 establishing better communications and coordination among
7 amateur radio operators, government entities and citizens
8 throughout Lancaster County and this Commonwealth and in
9 providing needed public services and assistance to government
10 and emergency operations during disasters and emergencies; and

11 WHEREAS, Recognized as an official Amateur Radio Relay League
12 (ARRL) Special Service Club in Pennsylvania, SPARC's work
13 includes public education on the proper use of amateur radio,
14 public school technology presentations, space communications
15 demonstrations with the International Space Station and Federal

1 Communications Commission license training; and

2 WHEREAS, As a provider of emergency radiocommunications,
3 SPARC has established and maintains an interstate and intrastate
4 emergency communications network, participates in local
5 exercises directed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency
6 and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and
7 participates voluntarily in county emergencies with the
8 Lancaster County Emergency Management Agency; and

9 WHEREAS, SPARC has developed a field support van that can be
10 deployed to a disaster area to transmit voice, data and imagery
11 traffic back to the county Emergency Operations Center; and

12 WHEREAS, SPARC participates in the annual Field Day
13 radiocommunications preparedness event; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives extend
15 commendation and appreciation to SPARC for its emergency
16 preparedness work, with best wishes for success in Field Day
17 2004, June 26 through 27, 2004; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
19 the Southern Pennsylvania Amateur Radio Club, Inc. (SPARC), P.O.
20 Box 1033, Lancaster, Pennsylvania 17608-1033.