
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 861 Session of
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HESS, OCTOBER 4, 2004

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 4, 2004

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 8, 2004, as "Celebrate 350 Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, In 1654, 23 impoverished and persecuted Jews from
4 Recife, Brazil, arrived in North America; and

5 WHEREAS, October 2004 marks the 350th anniversary of Jewish
6 settlement in the United States; and

7 WHEREAS, Generations of Jews of diverse backgrounds who fled
8 oppression and embraced opportunity, escaped persecution and
9 found freedom and shunned indignity and pursued equality have
10 found their home in this nation of immigrants; and

11 WHEREAS, Throughout the history of this Commonwealth, Jews
12 have participated creatively and industriously in every facet of

1 our community, building schools, libraries, hospitals, houses of
2 worship and enterprises of every description; and

3 WHEREAS, All residents of this Commonwealth can be proud of
4 the part this Commonwealth has played in championing religious
5 liberty and human rights for all people; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
7 8, 2004, as "Celebrate 350 Day" and call upon the residents of
8 this Commonwealth to join in marking the 350th anniversary of
9 Jewish immigration to the United States with public ceremonies
10 and other appropriate forms of commemoration.