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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the week of May 1 through 8, 2004, as "SAFE KIDS Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Unintentional injury is the number one killer of
- 4 children 14 years of age and under; and
- 5 WHEREAS, In 2001, 225 Pennsylvania children under 15 years of
- 6 age lost their lives because of violence and unintentional
- 7 injuries and many more sustained lifelong disabling injuries;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, The 225 injuries were the result of falls, motor
- 10 vehicle crashes, poisoning, choking, fires, scalds from hot
- 11 liquids, drowning, abuse and violence; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Most injuries are caused by environmental hazards
- 13 and failure to use safety devices; and
- 14 WHEREAS, By understanding the risks, parents and caregivers
- 15 can make their families, homes and communities safer for
- 16 children; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania SAFE KIDS Coalition is a grassroots
- 2 effort to reduce injuries and deaths to children under 15 years
- 3 of age in this Commonwealth; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The Statewide coalition and 43 local coalitions and
- 5 chapters, part of the National SAFE KIDS Campaign, are working
- 6 in communities to make people more aware of injury risks and
- 7 ways to eliminate them; therefore be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of May 1 through
- 9 8, 2004, as "SAFE KIDS Week" in Pennsylvania in order to
- 10 increase public awareness about child safety.