THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2005

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MARCH 15, 2005

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating March 15, 2005, as "Hungarian American Day" in
- 2 Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The east central European country of Hungary
- 4 celebrates its national Independence Day on March 15; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Hungarians and Hungarian Americans have many reasons
- 6 to celebrate their heritage, culture and independence from
- 7 Austria on March 15, 1848; and
- 8 WHEREAS, There are more than 730,000 Hungarian Americans in
- 9 the United States; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Hungarian immigrants came to the United States to
- 11 experience freedom and seize the opportunity for a new life; and
- 12 WHEREAS, People of Hungarian descent have contributed greatly
- 13 to the world, the United States and this Commonwealth; and
- 14 WHEREAS, People of Hungarian descent have demonstrated

- 1 exceptional skills in science, medicine, music and the arts; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Hungarian Americans include Governor George Pataki,
- 3 Tom Lantos, United States Congressman, and billionaire
- 4 philanthropist George Soros; and
- 5 WHEREAS, More than half a dozen Hungarians have won Nobel
- 6 Prizes; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The Hungarian community has earned recognition for
- 8 its strong work ethic, record of achievements and contributions
- 9 to the development of the United States; and
- 10 WHEREAS, All Pennsylvanians are grateful for the many
- 11 contributions of Hungary and Hungarian citizens, here and
- 12 abroad, to our Commonwealth; therefore be it
- 13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate March
- 14 15, 2005, as "Hungarian American Day" in Pennsylvania.