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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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SOLOBAY, SAYLOR, TIGUE, CALTAGIRONE AND FAIRCHILD,  
JUNE 30, 2006

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY,  
JUNE 30, 2006

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## A RESOLUTION

1    Memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to  
2        examine the current status of the nation's dependency on  
3        foreign oil to determine what the Federal Government can do  
4        to alleviate the escalating prices of fuel and to develop and  
5        implement a long-term energy strategy that decreases the  
6        nation's dependency on foreign oil and increases the  
7        utilization of natural or alternative fuel sources.

8        WHEREAS, The United States consumes more than 20 million  
9        barrels of oil per day, making it the leading oil-consuming  
10       country in the world; and

11       WHEREAS, Previous administrations resolved to decrease the  
12       United States' dependence upon foreign oil by promoting energy  
13       conservation and efficiency and developing new, domestic energy  
14       sources; and

15       WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania recognizes the  
16       importance of fuel diversity and utilizing indigenous fuel  
17       sources; and

18       WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is dedicated to

1 reducing dependency on foreign energy sources; and

2 WHEREAS, Oil is used as a major heating source for more than  
3 one million homes in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

4 WHEREAS, Motorists in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are  
5 paying 78 cents a gallon more for regular, unleaded gasoline  
6 than they did a year ago; and

7 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Energy has forecast  
8 that consumers will pay an average of \$2.76 a gallon for  
9 gasoline this summer, 39 cents more than last year; and

10 WHEREAS, The price of crude oil hit a record high of \$75.17 a  
11 barrel for April 2006; and

12 WHEREAS, Domestic alternative fuels and renewable energies  
13 are a viable option for generating American-made fuels and  
14 power; and

15 WHEREAS, Our dependence on foreign oil greatly affects our  
16 national security and foreign policy; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the  
18 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize the President and  
19 Congress of the United States to examine the nation's dependency  
20 on foreign oil to determine what the Federal Government can do  
21 to alleviate the escalating prices of fuel and to develop and  
22 implement a long-term energy strategy that decreases the  
23 nation's dependency on oil and increases the utilization of  
24 natural or alternative fuel sources; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
26 the President of the United States, to the presiding officers of  
27 each house of Congress and to each member of Congress from  
28 Pennsylvania.