

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY ARGALL, SEMMEL, McCALL, BEYER, HARHART, ALLEN AND
GOODMAN, OCTOBER 3, 2006

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 3, 2006

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 12, 2006, as "Lights On Afterschool! Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Nearly 1.8 million school-age children and youths in
4 Pennsylvania return from school to a home where each parent is
5 working; and

6 WHEREAS, Many of these children are unsupervised for 20 to 25
7 hours per week; and

8 WHEREAS, Afterschool programs provide safe, challenging,
9 engaging and fun learning experiences to help children and
10 youths develop their social, emotional, physical, cultural and
11 academic skills; and

12 WHEREAS, Afterschool programs support working families by
13 ensuring that children are safe and productive after the regular
14 school day ends; and

15 WHEREAS, Afterschool programs promote positive relationships
16 and build stronger communities by involving students, parents,
17 business leaders and adult volunteers in the lives of young

1 people; and

2 WHEREAS, Afterschool programs engage families, schools and
3 diverse community partners in advancing the well-being of
4 children; and

5 WHEREAS, "Lights On Afterschool!" is a national celebration
6 of afterschool programs on October 12 that promotes the critical
7 importance of quality afterschool programs in the lives of
8 children, families and communities; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
10 12, 2006, as "Lights On Afterschool! Day" in Pennsylvania.