
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 274 Session of
2007

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 18, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Acknowledging a dire situation relating to the devastation of
2 the honeybee population in this Commonwealth.

3 WHEREAS, Scientists estimate that the honeybee population has
4 dropped 80%; and

5 WHEREAS, Scientists believe the shrinking honeybee population
6 is directly related to a pathogen or toxic substance which
7 weakens bees on their main spring flights and makes their return
8 to the hive impossible; and

9 WHEREAS, Scientists have named this epidemic colony collapse
10 disorder (CCD); and

11 WHEREAS, CCD is affecting a crucial sector of the State and
12 national economies; and

13 WHEREAS, A Cornell University study has estimated that
14 honeybees annually pollinate more than \$14 billion worth of

1 seeds and crops in the United States; and

2 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State University, the Pennsylvania
3 Department of Agriculture, the University of North Carolina and
4 the State of Texas are leading research into the cause of the
5 honeybee population decline; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives acknowledge a
7 dire situation relating to the devastation of the honeybee
8 population in this Commonwealth; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives applaud efforts
10 to preserve the honeybee population and urge support for
11 continuing research.