THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JULY 14, 2007

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Pennsylvania Industries for the Blind and Handicapped
 - (PIBH) and its President and CEO, Alfred W. Baker, upon
- 3 PIBH's receipt of a Stevie Award.
- 4 WHEREAS, PIBH won a Stevie Award for Best Corporate Social
- 5 Responsibility Program Up to 100 Employees in the 2007
- 6 American Business Awards presented in New York City on June 11,
- 7 2007; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Stevie Awards are hailed as "the business world's
- 9 own Oscars, and are the only national, all-encompassing awards
- 10 honoring great performances in business; and
- 11 WHEREAS, PIBH is the nonprofit agency in Pennsylvania solely
- 12 dedicated to increasing employment opportunities for individuals
- 13 with disabilities through fulfillment of State government
- 14 contracts for goods and services; and

- 1 WHEREAS, PIBH strives to help persons with disabilities
- 2 achieve a meaningful and productive life and contribute to the
- 3 economic life of their communities; and
- 4 WHEREAS, PIBH has 78 member agencies employing approximately
- 5 4,000 persons with disabilities in Pennsylvania who have
- 6 provided about 1 million hours of direct labor in Pennsylvania
- 7 through community rehabilitation programs; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Employing workers with disabilities results in more
- 9 consumers putting money back into the economy and results in a
- 10 better use of the nation's resources; and
- 11 WHEREAS, PIBH has brought national attention to Pennsylvania
- 12 and its program to increase employment opportunities for persons
- 13 with disabilities through the fulfillment of State government
- 14 contracts for goods and services; therefore be it
- 15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend PIBH and
- 16 President and CEO Alfred W. Baker upon PIBH's receipt of a
- 17 Stevie Award for a job well done by continuing to exemplify the
- 18 capabilities of workers with disabilities and the need to
- 19 decrease the numbers of persons with disabilities who are
- 20 unemployed.