
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 415 Session of
2007

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SURRA, SWANGER, TRUE, VULAKOVICH, YOUNGBLOOD AND HENNESSEY,
SEPTEMBER 27, 2007

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 27, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring October 21 through 27, 2007, as "Juvenile Detention
2 Centers Week," throughout Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's 22 secure detention centers, serving
4 all 67 counties, should be recognized for their ongoing
5 protection of our communities and the care of youth in their
6 charge; and

7 WHEREAS, These facilities provide 870 beds Statewide for more
8 than 21,000 admissions to juvenile detention each year in this
9 Commonwealth; and

10 WHEREAS, The existence of these facilities is key to the
11 safety and betterment of their communities; and

12 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's Juvenile Detention Centers, adhering
13 to the Balanced and Restorative Justice model, contribute to
14 public safety by providing a stable environment for at-risk

1 youth both preadjudicated and adjudicated, providing education
2 and programming, and ensuring sufficient opportunities for
3 growth and development of Pennsylvania's youth; and

4 WHEREAS, Juvenile Detention Centers ensure every child's
5 health and well-being by providing competency development, self-
6 discipline and stabilization through comprehensive evaluations,
7 both physical and behavioral health, as well as community
8 involvement; and

9 WHEREAS, Hundreds of men and women are dedicated to ensuring
10 the proper care and supervision of the youth and are committed
11 to the protection of Pennsylvania's communities on a daily
12 basis; and

13 WHEREAS, The Juvenile Detention Centers Association of
14 Pennsylvania acts as the sole resource for these facilities,
15 offering education, representation and support for all of the
16 important services that juvenile detention centers provide for
17 this Commonwealth's youth and communities; and

18 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's Juvenile Detention Centers in
19 coordination with the Juvenile Detention Centers Association of
20 Pennsylvania merit one week of recognition for their unending
21 services aimed at protecting our communities and assisting
22 Pennsylvania's youth; therefore be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare October
24 21 through 27, 2007, as "Juvenile Detention Centers Week."