
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 452 Session of
2007

INTRODUCED BY PHILLIPS, FAIRCHILD, READSHAW, BELFANTI, BEYER,
CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CREIGHTON, DIGIROLAMO, FLECK,
GALLOWAY, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GINGRICH, HENNESSEY,
HERSHEY, HESS, KULA, MAJOR, MANTZ, MILLARD, MURT, MUSTIO,
PAYNE, PETRONE, PICKETT, RAPP, ROHRER, RUBLEY, SAINATO,
SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SONNEY, SWANGER, THOMAS AND
WATSON, OCTOBER 16, 2007

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 16, 2007

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing our State song and observing the week of November 25
2 through 30, 2007, as "Sing Pennsylvania Week" in
3 Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, The act of November 29, 1990 (P.L.598, No.150),
5 referred to as the Official State Song Act, adopted the song
6 "Pennsylvania" as the official State song of this Commonwealth;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, This song was written and scored by Eddie Khoury and
9 Ronnie Bonner; and

10 WHEREAS, The lyrics of the song are as follows:

11 "PENNSYLVANIA"

12 Verse 1

13 Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania,

14 Mighty is your name,

15 Steeped in glory and tradition,

1 Object of acclaim.
2 Where brave men fought the foe of freedom,
3 Tyranny decried,
4 'Til the bell of independence
5 filled the countryside.

6 Chorus

7 Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania,
8 May your future be,
9 filled with honor everlasting
10 as your history.

11 Verse 2

12 Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania,
13 Blessed by God's own hand,
14 Birthplace of a mighty nation,
15 Keystone of the land.
16 Where first our country's flag unfolded,
17 Freedom to proclaim,
18 May the voices of tomorrow
19 glorify your name.

20 Chorus

21 Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania,
22 May your future be,
23 filled with honor everlasting
24 as your history;

25 and

26 WHEREAS, Since its adoption, few Pennsylvanians have become
27 aware that this Commonwealth has an official song and even fewer
28 can recognize and sing it; therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize our
30 State song and observe the week of November 25 through 30, 2007,

1 as "Sing Pennsylvania Week" in Pennsylvania.