## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 454

Session of 2007

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 15, 2007

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Applauding the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Land Preservation
- 2 Board for its record of approving the preservation of 50,000
- 3 acres of Berks County farmland.
- 4 WHEREAS, Berks County ranks first in this Commonwealth in the
- 5 number of acres of preserved farmland under the Agricultural
- 6 Conservation Easement Program; and
- WHEREAS, In cooperation with the Berks County Agricultural
- 8 Land Preservation Board, the Pennsylvania State Agricultural
- 9 Land Preservation Board has committed more than \$100 million to
- 10 protect some of the most productive nonirrigated cropland in the
- 11 United States; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Farm owners have contributed an additional \$23
- 13 million in easement value; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives proudly recognizes the
- 15 farmland preservation efforts of Berks County landowners in
- 16 conjunction with county and State officials; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives proudly recognizes the
- 2 unique agricultural heritage of this Commonwealth; therefore be
- 3 it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives applaud the
- 5 Pennsylvania State Agricultural Land Preservation Board for its
- 6 record of approving the preservation of 50,000 acres of Berks
- 7 County farmland.