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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 20, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of July 2008 as "Special Olympics
2 Pennsylvania Month."

3 WHEREAS, Special Olympics is an international nonprofit
4 organization dedicated to the empowerment, through sports and
5 physical activities, of children and adults with intellectual
6 disabilities; and

7 WHEREAS, Inclusion and community involvement are fundamental
8 to the worldwide Special Olympics movement; and

9 WHEREAS, Special Olympics Pennsylvania provides free year-
10 round training and fair competition for athletes of all ability

1 levels in a variety of individual and team Olympic-type sports;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Special Olympics Pennsylvania conducts local and
4 sectional events and three major Statewide events: Winter Games,
5 Summer Games and Fall Festival; and

6 WHEREAS, Special Olympics Pennsylvania volunteers ensure that
7 participants enjoy and have a chance to excel in training for
8 local, State, national and world competitions; and

9 WHEREAS, Thousands of community and campus volunteers fulfill
10 essential tasks as coaches, officials, escorts and award
11 presenters on behalf of Special Olympics Pennsylvania; and

12 WHEREAS, Special Olympics Pennsylvania advances acceptance
13 and respect for individuals with intellectual disabilities; and

14 WHEREAS, Special Olympics Pennsylvania athletes honor the
15 oath Eunice Kennedy Shriver introduced at the inaugural
16 International Special Olympics Games in Chicago on July 20,
17 1968:

18 Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the
19 attempt;

20 therefore be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
22 month of July 2008 as "Special Olympics Pennsylvania Month"; and
23 be it further

24 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
25 Special Olympics Pennsylvania, 124 Washington Square, 2570
26 Boulevard of the Generals, Norristown PA 19403.