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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 792 Session of  
2008

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JUNE 13, 2008

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JUNE 13, 2008

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A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the month of November 2008 as "National Adoption  
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is committed to helping find safe,  
4 permanent and loving homes for children who need homes through  
5 adoption; and

6 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has demonstrated this commitment  
7 through various programs, including the Pennsylvania Adoption  
8 Exchange, the Statewide Adoption Network, the Internet website  
9 [www.adoptpakids.org](http://www.adoptpakids.org) and the toll-free hotline 1-800-585-SWAN;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Over the past 15 years, more than 19,000 children in

1 this Commonwealth have been adopted from the Pennsylvania foster  
2 care system; and

3 WHEREAS, Despite these many successes, there remains a need  
4 for safe, permanent and loving homes; and

5 WHEREAS, The many caring families who have provided improved,  
6 more stable lives to children through adoption need to be  
7 recognized and honored; and

8 WHEREAS, November 2008 marks the 18th anniversary of  
9 "National Adoption Awareness Month" observances in the United  
10 States and the 32nd anniversary of "National Adoption Week";  
11 therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives, in congruence  
13 with national recognition, commemorate the month of November  
14 2008 as "National Adoption Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania and  
15 recommit to the goal of helping to find a safe, permanent and  
16 loving home for each child in this Commonwealth who needs one.