

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 477 Session of 2009

INTRODUCED BY BUXTON, BEAR, BELFANTI, BEYER, BISHOP, BRIGGS, CALTAGIRONE, CASORIO, D. COSTA, CREIGHTON, DIGIROLAMO, FLECK, FRANKEL, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, HARHART, HELM, HENNESSEY, HORNAMAN, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, MAJOR, MANN, McCALL, MELIO, MICOZZIE, MILLARD, MURT, MYERS, M. O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PAYNE, QUINN, READSHAW, ROSS, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, SEIP, SIPTROTH, STABACK, SWANGER, VULAKOVICH AND YOUNGBLOOD, SEPTEMBER 29, 2009

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 29, 2009

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 15, 2009, as "Conflict Resolution Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, October 15, 2009, has been designated as "National
4 Conflict Resolution Day" by the board of directors of the
5 Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR) "to increase public
6 awareness about conflict resolution"; and

7 WHEREAS, Conflict resolution refers to a wide range of
8 processes that involve the use of nonviolent dispute settlement
9 outside of the judicial system; and

10 WHEREAS, Conflict resolution includes efforts in communities
11 and schools to reduce violence and encourage effective
12 negotiation through respectful communication; and

13 WHEREAS, Common conflict resolution methods include
14 negotiation, mediation, arbitration, early neutral evaluation,

1 community conferencing, collaborative law and peer mediation;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Many communities and schools in Pennsylvania are
4 implementing conflict resolution methods, recognizing this means
5 of dispute settlement as less costly and more private than
6 courtroom civil litigation; therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
8 15, 2009, as "Conflict Resolution Day" in Pennsylvania.