
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating June 7, 2010, as "African and Caribbean Children
2 Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Many African and Caribbean immigrants have settled
4 in this Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, The city of Philadelphia is home to more than
6 200,000 African and Caribbean immigrants, many of whom were
7 resettled by local humanitarian organizations under the Refugee
8 Act of 1980; and

9 WHEREAS, Many African and Caribbean immigrants, especially
10 children, encounter problems in acclimating into society due to
11 language barriers and differences in customs and cultures; and

12 WHEREAS, Many African and Caribbean children and their
13 families face problems in education and in obtaining essential
14 services; and

15 WHEREAS, The African and Caribbean community has made
16 important contributions to and has enriched the diversity of
17 this Commonwealth; and

18 WHEREAS, United States Army General Colin L. Powell (Ret.),

1 the 65th United States Secretary of State, was the first African
2 and Caribbean American to serve in that post and also the first
3 African and Caribbean American to serve on the Joint Chiefs of
4 Staff; and

5 WHEREAS, It is fitting to recognize the hardships the African
6 and Caribbean community face as well as the contributions the
7 community has made to the United States and to this
8 Commonwealth; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate June 7, 2010, as "African
10 and Caribbean Children Day" in Pennsylvania.