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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER
19, 2011

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the outstanding delivery of medical services
2 provided by nurse practitioners and observing the week of
3 November 13 through 19, 2011, as "Nurse Practitioner Week" in
4 Pennsylvania.

5 WHEREAS, There are more than 125,000 licensed nurse
6 practitioners (NPs) in the United States providing high-quality,
7 cost-effective, comprehensive, patient-centered personalized
8 health care; and

9 WHEREAS, NPs have been providing health care in the United
10 States since 1965; and

11 WHEREAS, NPs are graduates of master's, post-master's or
12 doctoral NP programs with advanced clinical preparation to
13 provide primary, acute and chronic care to patients of all ages
14 and walks of life; and

1 WHEREAS, More than 8,000 NPs graduated from NP programs
2 during 2008; and

3 WHEREAS, NPs provide health care to people of all ages and in
4 diverse health care settings such as private office practices,
5 hospitals, long-term care facilities, schools, retail clinics,
6 State and local health departments and managed care facilities;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, More than 20% of NPs practice in rural settings with
9 populations of less than 25,000 and of the 62% who work in
10 cities with populations of more than 50,000, more than 39% work
11 in inner-city areas; and

12 WHEREAS, NPs diagnose acute and chronic conditions, prescribe
13 medications and other treatments, treat illnesses and counsel
14 patients on health care issues; and

15 WHEREAS, The high level of satisfaction and confidence that
16 patients have in NPs is evidenced by the approximate 600 million
17 visits that are made to NPs each year; therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
19 outstanding delivery of medical services that is provided by
20 nurse practitioners; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That November 13 through 19, 2011, be observed as
22 "Nurse Practitioner Week" in Pennsylvania.