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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 663 Session of  
2012

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INTRODUCED BY LAWRENCE, BARRAR, HENNESSEY, KAMPF, KILLION,  
MILNE, ROSS AND SCHRODER, APRIL 4, 2012

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL  
4, 2012

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A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring the week of April 30 through May 4, 2012, as  
2 "Pennsylvania Academic Competition Week" in Pennsylvania; and  
3 urging the Department of Education, local school districts  
4 and intermediate units to participate in the 21st annual  
5 Statewide Pennsylvania Academic Competition on May 4, 2012.

6 WHEREAS, The education of all Pennsylvania children is a  
7 major concern to the citizens of this Commonwealth and requires  
8 the use of creative and innovative means to focus attention upon  
9 this concern; and

10 WHEREAS, Excellence displayed in athletic competition has  
11 long been recognized by societal and community rewards provided  
12 for that competition; and

13 WHEREAS, Academic competition is an innovative and creative  
14 attempt to involve children, parents, educators and community  
15 members in an educational forum for excellence; and

16 WHEREAS, Academic competition helps to hone the abilities and  
17 intellectual skills of students, as well as providing  
18 opportunities for incentives to continue the pursuit of  
19 excellence in education; and

1       WHEREAS, A coordinated program of academic competition has  
2 not existed in this Commonwealth, except in isolated school  
3 district programs; therefore be it

4       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare the week  
5 of April 30 through May 4, 2012, as "Pennsylvania Academic  
6 Competition Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

7       RESOLVED, That the Department of Education, local school  
8 districts and intermediate units be urged to actively  
9 participate in the finals of the 21st annual Statewide  
10 Pennsylvania Academic Competition to be held in the House of  
11 Representatives Chamber on May 4, 2012.