

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 699 Session of
2012

INTRODUCED BY HENNESSEY, CURRY, AUMENT, BEAR, BOBACK,
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TALLMAN, M. O'BRIEN, BRADFORD, HARRIS AND METZGAR,
APRIL 30, 2012

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL
30, 2012

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of May 2012 as "Older Pennsylvanians
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, May has traditionally been recognized as Older
4 Americans Month in the United States, a month set aside to honor
5 older adults who are among our most treasured resources, who are
6 united by historical experiences and strengthened by diversity
7 and who interpret events through varied perspectives and
8 backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our communities; and

9 WHEREAS, The Department of Health and Human Services'
10 Administration on Aging has announced that the theme of Older
11 Americans Month 2012 is "Never Too Old to Play"; and

12 WHEREAS, Increasing numbers of adults are reaching retirement
13 age, and it is especially important to note that those who were
14 born in the first year of the baby boom generation reached 65

1 years of age in 2011; and

2 WHEREAS, Older adults deserve recognition for the
3 contributions they have made and will make to the culture,
4 economy and character of the United States and this
5 Commonwealth; and

6 WHEREAS, Recognition and respect can be provided to older
7 Pennsylvanians by increasing their opportunities to remain
8 active and engaged in community life, providing individualized
9 services and support systems to maintain their dignity,
10 independence and self-determination and combating ageist
11 attitudes by honoring their past, present and future
12 contributions; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
14 month of May 2012 as "Older Pennsylvanians Month" in
15 Pennsylvania; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That every citizen be urged to take time during
17 that month to honor Pennsylvania's older adults and the
18 professionals, family members and volunteers who care for many
19 of them.