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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JANUARY 21, 2015

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 100th anniversary of Kiwanis International.

2 WHEREAS, According to its defining statement adopted in 2004,  
3 Kiwanis International is a global organization of volunteers  
4 dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a  
5 time; and

6 WHEREAS, Founded on January 21, 1915, in Detroit, Michigan,  
7 and with headquarters now in Indianapolis, Indiana, Kiwanis  
8 International assembles the resources of service-minded and  
9 community-minded individuals from 96 countries to address local  
10 and worldwide issues; and

11 WHEREAS, Guided by six permanent "Objects of Kiwanis," as  
12 adopted in 1924 and remaining unchanged through the decades,

1 Kiwanis club members develop personal and professional  
2 connections while pursuing fun, learning and fellowship and  
3 helping others; and

4 WHEREAS, Kiwanis International initiatives place continuing  
5 focus on the needs of children, including pediatric trauma,  
6 child safety, child care, early development and infant and child  
7 health and nutrition; and

8 WHEREAS, Young Children Priority One is an ongoing community  
9 service program of Kiwanis International benefiting children  
10 through five years of age; and

11 WHEREAS, Kiwanis further supports service clubs such as K-  
12 Kids, Aktion Club, Key Club International, Circle K, Builders  
13 Club and Kiwanis Junior; and

14 WHEREAS, Other service projects address literacy, substance  
15 abuse prevention, youth sports and recreation, disaster response  
16 or other needs found among individuals or within communities;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, The Centennial Internet Club, the most recently  
19 chartered and most geographically diverse club, includes members  
20 from ten nations; and

21 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania District of Kiwanis International  
22 consists of more than 200 Kiwanis clubs throughout this  
23 Commonwealth; and

24 WHEREAS, Kiwanis International maintains a continuing  
25 partnership with the Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment  
26 Commission to foster early learning opportunities; and

27 WHEREAS, Through the PA Reads program, Kiwanis International  
28 members distribute books and read aloud to tens of thousands of  
29 children Statewide; and

30 WHEREAS, Kiwanis International empowers people at every stage

1 of life to become good citizens and compassionate leaders  
2 through its local clubs and districts and its service leadership  
3 programs for children and youths; and

4 WHEREAS, Service is at the heart of every Kiwanis  
5 International club; and

6 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives commends Kiwanis  
7 International for its long participation in the challenging work  
8 of improving communities and its history of conducting  
9 meaningful local and global service projects; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
11 100th anniversary of Kiwanis International.