
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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GINGRICH, GIBBONS AND D. COSTA, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH, SEPTEMBER 29, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Supporting the establishment of a Presidential Youth Council.

2 WHEREAS, The unique perspectives and insights of young
3 people, especially young people who have previously participated
4 in a public policy-related program, outreach initiative,
5 internship or fellowship opportunity, are essential to ensure
6 that investments made by the Federal Government in youth
7 services are effective and efficient; and

8 WHEREAS, Existing outreach and engagement mechanisms of the
9 Federal Government are designed in ways that inhibit the
10 participation and lead to the underrepresentation of young
11 people in the policymaking process; and

12 WHEREAS, Numerous members of Congress, governors, state
13 legislatures, mayors and city councils have created youth
14 councils that have proven to be an effective means of receiving
15 input from young people, which leads to more effective and
16 efficient policies; and

1 WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States is currently
2 considering House Joint Resolution 47 which supports the
3 establishment of a Presidential Youth Council that would advise
4 the President and administration on the perspectives of young
5 people, make efficient and effective public policy-related
6 programs and address the issues of the long-term future of the
7 United States; and

8 WHEREAS, House Joint Resolution 47 recommends that the
9 council be comprised of 24 young people chosen by a combination
10 of the President of the United States, the President of the
11 Senate of the United States, the Majority Leader of the Senate
12 of the United States, the Minority Leader of the Senate of the
13 United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of
14 the United States and the Minority Leader of the House of
15 Representatives of the United States; therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
17 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania support the establishment of a
18 Presidential Youth Council; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
20 each member of Congress from Pennsylvania and to the President
21 of the United States.