
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 875 Session of
2015

INTRODUCED BY THOMAS, MAY 10, 2016

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 10, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the memory of Samuel Staten, Sr., and extending
2 heartfelt condolences to his family.

3 WHEREAS, Born in Jacksonville, Florida, Samuel Staten, Sr.,
4 moved to Philadelphia as a child and went to school in the
5 Philadelphia school system; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Staten's father was a founding member of the
7 Laborer's Union in the Philadelphia region; and

8 WHEREAS, Following in the footsteps of his father, Mr. Staten
9 was a long-time fixture in Philadelphia labor organizing; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Staten worked as a construction laborer until
11 1970, when he became a field representative and was later
12 elected as business manager for Laborers Local 332; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Staten continued to serve in Laborers Local 332
14 until his retirement in March 2010; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Staten dedicated his life to improving labor
16 conditions, sitting on boards of numerous funds and councils;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, When awarded a generous check by the members of the

1 Friends of Labor Committee at a dinner held in his honor in
2 1987, Mr. Staten donated the check to four charities; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Staten's selflessness inspired the creation of
4 The Laborers' District Council Charity Fund, which is now called
5 the Samuel Staten, Sr., Charitable Trust; and

6 WHEREAS, The Samuel Staten, Sr., Charitable Trust has raised
7 millions of dollars for charity; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the memory
9 of Samuel Staten, Sr., and extend heartfelt condolences to his
10 family.