
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WATSON, WHEELAND AND YOUNGBLOOD, SEPTEMBER 23, 2016

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 23, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of October 2016 as "Fire Prevention Month"
2 in Pennsylvania and recognizing October 9 through 15, 2016,
3 as "National Fire Prevention Week" in Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, Fires are a serious safety concern both nationally
5 and locally; and

6 WHEREAS, People face the greatest risk of fire in their
7 homes; and

8 WHEREAS, According to the National Fire Protection
9 Association (NFPA), each year between 2,000 and 3,000 people die
10 in house fires in the United States, with fire departments in
11 the United States responding annually to more than 370,000 home
12 fires;

13 WHEREAS, Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in

1 reported home fires in half; and

2 WHEREAS, Survey data shows that the public has many
3 misconceptions about smoke alarms, which may put them at risk in
4 the event of a home fire; and

5 WHEREAS, Only a small percentage of the public know how old
6 their smoke alarms are, or how often they need to be replaced;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, The NFPA picked the theme "Don't Wait: Check the
9 Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years" for the 2016
10 "National Fire Prevention Week" to educate people about the need
11 to replace smoke alarms every 10 years; and

12 WHEREAS, Promotion of the theme provides an ideal opportunity
13 to educate the public of the danger fires pose in homes
14 throughout our communities; and

15 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's first responders exhibit great
16 dedication to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home
17 fire injuries through prevention and protection education and
18 through their quick response to emergencies; therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
20 month of October 2016 as "Fire Prevention Month" and recognize
21 the week of October 9 through 15, 2016, as "National Fire
22 Prevention Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all
24 residents, landlords, businesses and other property owners to
25 protect their homes, businesses and property by heeding the
26 important safety messages of "National Fire Prevention Week"
27 which can be found on the NFPA publicly accessible Internet
28 website; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend all
30 firefighters, other first responders and those who provide

1 support to them for all their efforts to prevent, fight and stop
2 fires.