
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY M. QUINN, JULY 7, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JULY 7, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Pennsylvania Utility Contractors Association,
2 doing business as the National Utility Contractors
3 Association of Pennsylvania, and recognizing its 50th
4 anniversary as a trade association.

5 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Utility Contractors Association
6 (PUCA), doing business as the National Utility Contractors
7 Association (NUCA) of Pennsylvania, is a 50-year-old nonprofit
8 trade association representing the underground utility
9 construction industry; and

10 WHEREAS, PUCA's mission is to promote safe and responsible
11 installation of new underground utility infrastructure and
12 rehabilitation of existing underground utility infrastructure,
13 including water, sewer, gas, electrical, telecommunications,
14 water and wastewater treatment plants, dams and landfills; and

15 WHEREAS, PUCA brings the underground utility construction
16 industry, policymakers and stakeholders together as they focus
17 on long-range underground utility infrastructure development,
18 encouraging adequate government services, catalyzing consensus
19 on damage prevention issues and convening discussion relating to

1 safe and responsible installation; and

2 WHEREAS, PUCA is composed of a diverse membership of
3 recognized underground utility contractors, site developers,
4 engineers, heavy equipment dealers, equipment suppliers, law
5 firms, insurance bonding agents and anyone with an interest in
6 underground utility contracting in Pennsylvania; and

7 WHEREAS, The Western Pennsylvania Utility Contractors
8 Association (WPUCA) was incorporated on April 20, 1967, with 20
9 contractor members and 12 associate members; and

10 WHEREAS, WPUCA hosted the First Annual Convention of NUCA in
11 Pittsburgh on June 27 through 28, 1969; and

12 WHEREAS, WPUCA served the northwest, central and western
13 regions of Pennsylvania; and

14 WHEREAS, The Utility Contractors of Eastern Pennsylvania
15 (UCAEP) was incorporated on August 11, 1969, and was affiliated
16 with NUCA National in late 1969; and

17 WHEREAS, UCAEP served the northeast, capital and eastern
18 Pennsylvania regions; and

19 WHEREAS, In 1984, in recognition of common interests and
20 needs, the WPUCA and UCAEP were dissolved as corporations and
21 the new Statewide association was formed of stakeholders and
22 elected officials, administrators and professional staff
23 representing local government agencies along with State agencies
24 and legislative and executive leadership; and

25 WHEREAS, PUCA is committed to the mission of promoting safe
26 and responsible infrastructure installation and is proactively
27 involved in the formulation of policy and legislation critical
28 to the utility construction industry by addressing safety
29 issues, regulatory compliance and underground utility
30 infrastructure needs within this Commonwealth; and

1 WHEREAS, PUCA continues to increase its influence among
2 stakeholders, policymakers and elected officials Statewide; and

3 WHEREAS, PUCA is hosting its 50th anniversary celebration on
4 September 8 through 9, 2017, in State College to raise awareness
5 of the industry and the need for safety and to have its message
6 resonate among members of the subsurface utility industry and
7 the General Assembly; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend the
9 Pennsylvania Utility Contractors Association for its efforts to
10 promote safe and responsible installation of underground
11 utilities in this Commonwealth; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
13 celebration on September 8 through 9, 2017, marking the
14 association's 50th anniversary as a leading trade association;
15 and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the House of
17 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the
18 Pennsylvania Utility Contractors Association.