
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 546 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY GOODMAN, BAKER, BARBIN, BOBACK, BURNS,
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QUIGLEY, READSHAW, ROEBUCK, ROZZI, RYAN, SANTORA, TOEPEL,
TOOHIL, WARD, WARREN AND WATSON, OCTOBER 3, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 3, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of October 2017 as "Fire Prevention Month"
2 and recognizing the week of October 8 through 14, 2017, as
3 "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), more than 1.3 million fires were reported by
10 fire departments in 2016, resulting in approximately 3,390
11 civilian deaths, the highest number of fatalities since 2008;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, In a fire, seconds can mean the difference between
14 escaping safely or having lives end in tragedy; and

1 WHEREAS, It is critical for everyone to have an escape plan
2 that includes two exits from each room and a path outside from
3 each exit; and

4 WHEREAS, The NFPA picked the theme "Every Second Counts: Plan
5 2 Ways Out!" for the 2017 "National Fire Prevention Week" to
6 educate people about the need for an escape plan that includes
7 two exits; and

8 WHEREAS, Promotion of the theme provides an ideal opportunity
9 to educate the public of the danger fires pose in homes
10 throughout our communities; and

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

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
16 month of October 2017 as "Fire Prevention Month" and recognize
17 the week of October 8 through 14, 2017, as "National Fire
18 Prevention Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

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

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend all
26 firefighters, other first responders and those who provide
27 support for their efforts to prevent, fight and stop fires.