## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 444

Session of 2013

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, SEPTEMBER 19, 2013

## A RESOLUTION

- Recognizing the week of October 6 through 12, 2013, as "National Newspaper Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Our nation's founders recognized, in their vision,
- 4 that a democracy depends upon the convictions and actions of an
- 5 informed public, and that its citizens must have access to the
- 6 most complete and accurate information about their community,
- 7 their nation and the world; and
- 8 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth is the birthplace of our nation's
- 9 independence, and the freedom enjoyed by the people of the
- 10 United States, supported by the right to free speech and a free
- 11 press, are treasured principles upon which Pennsylvania and
- 12 America thrive; and
- 13 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth's newspapers have evolved through
- 14 the centuries to meet the increasing needs and challenges of a
- 15 diverse population to reflect the highest standards of

- 1 journalism and public service, accuracy and fairness; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Since 1940, the United States Newspaper Association
- 3 managers have sponsored and supported "National Newspaper Week,"
- 4 a week-long celebration emphasizing the importance of newspapers
- 5 in fostering improved community service, participation and
- 6 responsiveness in the everyday lives of citizens; therefore be
- 7 it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 9 week of October 6 through 12, 2013, as "National Newspaper Week"
- 10 in Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives acknowledge the
- 12 vital role played by the newspaper industry as a pillar of our
- 13 democracy and congratulate the Pennsylvania NewsMedia
- 14 Association and its membership and affiliates upon the
- 15 celebration of "National Newspaper Week" and for its role in
- 16 encouraging an active citizenry and an informed public; and be
- 17 it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
- 19 the Pennsylvania NewsMedia Association.