THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 494 Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY GRELL, CALTAGIRONE, KORTZ, READSHAW, SCHLOSSBERG, DiGIROLAMO, BROWNLEE, KIRKLAND, ROCK, COHEN, YOUNGBLOOD, MILLARD, LUCAS, MURT, MAJOR, WATSON, GINGRICH AND ROSS, OCTOBER 11, 2013

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 11, 2013

A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating October 18, 2013, as "Conflict Resolution Day" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, The board of directors of the Association for
4	Conflict Resolution adopted a resolution designating the third
5	Thursday of October as Conflict Resolution Day; and
6	WHEREAS, The Association for Conflict Resolution is a
7	professional organization focused on enhancing the practice and
8	public understanding of conflict resolution; and
9	WHEREAS, The Association for Conflict Resolution is the
10	nation's largest professional association for mediators,
11	arbitrators, educators and other conflict resolution
12	practitioners; and
13	WHEREAS, Conflict Resolution Day was conceived to:
14	(1) promote awareness of mediation, arbitration,
15	conciliation and other creative, peaceful means of resolving
16	conflicts;

(2) promote the use of conflict resolution in schools,
families, businesses, communities, governments and the legal
system;

4 (3) recognize the significant contributions of peaceful5 conflict resolvers; and

6 (4) obtain national synergy by having celebrations 7 happen across the country and around the world on the same 8 day;

9 and

10 WHEREAS, The first Conflict Resolution was celebrated in 11 2005; and

12 WHEREAS, The importance of Conflict Resolution Day is further 13 underscored by the American Bar Association's (ABA) designation 14 of the third week in October as ABA Mediation Week; therefore be 15 it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October 17 18, 2013, as "Conflict Resolution Day" in Pennsylvania.

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