## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing November 2013 as "Infant Safe Sleep Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The children of Pennsylvania are our most important
- 4 resource and the very foundation of the future of our
- 5 Commonwealth; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Thousands of infants in the United States, many of
- 7 whom reside in Pennsylvania, die each year in preventable
- 8 tragedies because they are placed in unsafe sleeping
- 9 environments; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In April 1992, the American Academy of Pediatrics
- 11 Task Force on Infant Sleep Position recommended that infants be
- 12 placed on their backs to sleep; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The safest sleeping environment for babies is alone
- 14 on their backs in an empty crib with a tightly fitted sheet and
- 15 sufficient sleepwear; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Parents, grandparents, relatives and day-care
- 2 providers have access to resources to learn more about providing
- 3 babies with safe sleep environments at the National Institute of
- 4 Child Health and Human Development's publicly accessible
- 5 Internet website; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The month of November is an opportunity to inform or
- 7 remind all caregivers to check infant sleep environments to help
- 8 prevent needless tragedies; therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
- 10 November 2013 as "Infant Safe Sleep Month" in Pennsylvania.