
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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ROZZI, RYAN, SMITH, WHITE, D. WILLIAMS, R. BROWN, MILLARD,
PICKETT AND MENTZER, APRIL 27, 2022

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 27, 2022

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Congress of the United States to condemn the actions
2 of the military of the Russian Federation in Ukraine and
3 express support for the Ukrainian people fleeing violence
4 inflicted by the Russian military.

5 WHEREAS, The Russian invasion of Ukraine began on February
6 24, 2022; and

7 WHEREAS, Russian military action against the people of
8 Ukraine has included indiscriminate attacks against civilian
9 neighborhoods and infrastructure; and

10 WHEREAS, The Russian military conducted an airstrike on a
11 theater in the city of Mariupol, Ukraine, in which hundreds of
12 civilians were known to be sheltering, killing hundreds of the
13 people inside; and

14 WHEREAS, The Russian military recklessly attacked
15 infrastructure connected to the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant,
16 an action which threatened to cause a severe nuclear incident
17 and fallout; and

18 WHEREAS, The Russian military withdrawal from the city of

1 Bucha, Ukraine, revealed evidence of the torture and execution
2 of civilians, including women and children; and

3 WHEREAS, It has been reported that the Russian military has
4 used chemical weapons against civilian and military targets in
5 the city of Mariupol; and

6 WHEREAS, As of April 2, 2022, the United Nations High
7 Commissioner for Human Rights has recorded the killings of 1,417
8 civilians, including 121 children, and the injuring of an
9 additional 2,038 civilians; and

10 WHEREAS, As of April 12, 2022, the violence committed against
11 civilians by the Russian military has caused more than 7 million
12 Ukrainians to flee their homes and nearly 5 million to flee the
13 country; and

14 WHEREAS, The refugees include nearly two-thirds of Ukrainian
15 children, with a total of nearly 5 million children having been
16 forced to flee their homes; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
18 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urge the Congress of the United
19 States to condemn the actions of the military of the Russian
20 Federation in Ukraine and express support for the Ukrainian
21 people fleeing violence inflicted by the Russian military; and
22 be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
24 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urge the Congress of the United
25 States to call for the investigation and prosecution of war
26 crimes by the Russian Federation committed against the people of
27 Ukraine; and be it further

28 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
29 the following:

30 (1) The President of the United States.

- 1 (2) The Vice President of the United States.
- 2 (3) The United States Secretary of State.
- 3 (4) The United States Secretary of Defense.
- 4 (5) The United States Ambassador to the United Nations.
- 5 (6) The United States Ambassador to the Russian
- 6 Federation.
- 7 (7) The United Nations Secretary-General.
- 8 (8) The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.