
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 452 Session of
2015

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
AUGUST 25, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 75th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Turnpike
2 and the Turnpike's impact on this Commonwealth and on
3 America's Interstate Highway System.

4 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Turnpike will celebrate 75 years of
5 service in October 2015; and

6 WHEREAS, The original 160-mile section of the Pennsylvania
7 Turnpike opened just after midnight on October 1, 1940,
8 welcoming motorists to travel between Carlisle and Irwin; and

9 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Turnpike set the national standard
10 for modern, limited-access highways and served as the model upon
11 which America's Interstate Highway System was built; and

12 WHEREAS, The original 160-mile toll road that carried 2.7
13 million vehicles in its first full year of operation now spans
14 552 miles, carrying more than 194 million vehicles a year; and

15 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Turnpike is in the process of

1 rebuilding and widening the entire roadway from four lanes to
2 six to meet today's traffic demands and safety and design
3 standards; and

4 WHEREAS, More than 110 miles have been rebuilt and widened to
5 date and work continues as the Pennsylvania Turnpike remains
6 committed to putting its customers' safety first; and

7 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Turnpike, known as "America's First
8 Superhighway," forever changed the way Americans traveled and is
9 considered to be one of Pennsylvania's most treasured historic
10 assets; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
12 75th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Turnpike and the Turnpike's
13 impact on this Commonwealth and on America's Interstate Highway
14 System.