## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- Honoring the achievements of Darren Miller, a resident of
- Delmont, Pennsylvania, and the first American male to 2
- complete the Ocean's Seven Challenge.
- WHEREAS, Darren Miller is a resident of Delmont, 4
- 5 Pennsylvania; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Miller is an avid athlete who swam for the 6
- Franklin Regional High School and Penn State University teams;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Miller has volunteered his time to coach young
- 10 swimmers at his high school alma mater; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Miller has remained dedicated to a strict 11
- 12 training regimen to prepare for the difficult Ocean's Seven
- 13 Challenge of seven long-distance swims at various channels
- 14 around the world; and
- 15 WHEREAS, On July 19, 2010, Mr. Miller completed the 21-mile
- swim of the English Channel between England and France; and 16

- 1 WHEREAS, On August 3, 2011, Mr. Miller completed the 21-mile
- 2 swim of the Catalina Channel between Los Angeles and Santa
- 3 Catalina Island in southern California; and
- 4 WHEREAS, On October 21, 2011, Mr. Miller completed the 27-
- 5 mile swim of the Molokai Channel between the west coast of
- 6 Molokai Island and the east coast of Oahu in Hawaii; and
- 7 WHEREAS, On May 2, 2012, Mr. Miller completed the 10-mile
- 8 swim of the Strait of Gibraltar between the southern coast of
- 9 Spain and the northern coast of Morocco; and
- 10 WHEREAS, On July 10, 2012, Mr. Miller completed the 13-mile
- 11 swim of the Tsugaru Channel between Honshu, the main island
- 12 where Tokyo is located, and Hokkaido, the northern-most island
- 13 in Japan; and
- WHEREAS, On March 21, 2013, Mr. Miller completed the 20-mile
- 15 swim of the Cook Strait between the North and South Islands of
- 16 New Zealand; and
- 17 WHEREAS, On September 29, 2013, Mr. Miller completed the 21-
- 18 mile swim of the North Channel between northern Ireland and
- 19 Scotland; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Mr. Miller became the first American male to
- 21 complete the Ocean's Seven Challenge; and
- 22 WHEREAS, Through Mr. Miller's swims, he raises charitable
- 23 contributions for Team Forever, and the Forever Fund, a
- 24 charitable organization; and
- 25 WHEREAS, Team Forever and the Forever Fund are dedicated to
- 26 helping families offset the expensive costs of infant
- 27 cardiothoracic surgeries that take place at the University of
- 28 Pittsburgh Medical Center Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh; and
- 29 WHEREAS, Mr. Miller encourages individuals to push their
- 30 mental and physical capabilities to maximize their full

- 1 potential through numerous motivational speeches; therefore be
- 2 it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the
- 4 athletic, motivational and charitable achievements of Mr. Darren
- 5 Miller.