## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 3, 2014

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the Order of the United Commercial Travelers of 2 America and its Pennsylvania councils.
- 3 WHEREAS, The Order of United Commercial Travelers of America
- 4 is a nonprofit organization of volunteer members in the United
- 5 States which focuses on helping citizens with intellectual
- 6 disabilities; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The councils of the Order of the United Commercial
- 8 Travelers of America work with community leaders to improve
- 9 education, housing and self-development programs for people with
- 10 special needs, aiding them in meeting new people and learning
- 11 new skills; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of
- 13 America help many individuals by supporting fundraising events
- 14 for research for cancer, intellectual disabilities and other
- 15 special needs; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of

- 1 America created the United Commercial Travelers Scholarship
- 2 Program to provide scholarships to students and teachers seeking
- 3 degrees or certification in the education of people with
- 4 intellectual disabilities; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Established in 2000, Join Hands Day is an annual day
- 6 of service held nationwide by the councils of the Order of the
- 7 United Commercial Travelers of America, which promotes the
- 8 development of relationships between young people and adults
- 9 working together in service to the community; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In 1888, the first council of the Order of the
- 11 Commercial Travelers of America was established in Columbus,
- 12 Ohio, and has since expanded nationwide, including several
- 13 successful local councils in Pennsylvania; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Councils of the Order of United
- 15 Commercial Travelers of America actively support their
- 16 communities by volunteering their assistance to local charities
- 17 and causes in their communities, holding a variety of
- 18 fundraising events and granting scholarships to deserving local
- 19 youths; therefore be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 21 Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America and the
- 22 Pennsylvania councils for their support of the community on the
- 23 occasion of the 111th Annual Session of the Grand Council of
- 24 Pennsylvania, to be held on May 9, 2014, in Williamsport,
- 25 Pennsylvania.