

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 9 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY STEPHENS, COHEN, FARINA, MILLARD, HARHART,
 DIGIROLAMO, CALTAGIRONE, MARSICO, WATSON, SANTARSIERO,
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 JANUARY 21, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
 JANUARY 21, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating February 6, 2015, as "Keith Valley Challenge Day" in
 2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Keith Valley Middle School is in the Hatboro-Horsham
 4 School District, located in Montgomery County; and

5 WHEREAS, In 1977, Keith Valley Middle School held a floor
 6 hockey marathon to honor the memory of Billy Whitehead, an 8th
 7 grade student who passed away due to a rare congenital heart
 8 defect; and

9 WHEREAS, In Billy's memory, the staff and 8th graders at the
 10 school began holding the Billy Whitehead Marathon and pledged to
 11 raise money on a yearly basis for St. Christopher's Hospital for
 12 Children, located in Philadelphia. The marathon was renamed The
 13 Keith Valley Challenge in 1981 and students began to donate
 14 funds raised to additional charities; and

15 WHEREAS, The Keith Valley Challenge is a 17-hour nonstop
 16 floor hockey marathon. Last year's Challenge raised \$58,696.71,

1 and over the last 38 years, Keith Valley students have raised
2 and donated over \$890,000 to 14 charities, such as the American
3 Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the ALS
4 Foundation and the Ronald McDonald House; and

5 WHEREAS, The 39th Annual Keith Valley Challenge is scheduled
6 to kick-off on Friday, February 6, 2015. This year, students are
7 raising money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate
9 February 6, 2015, as "Keith Valley Challenge Day" in
10 Pennsylvania.