



BRYAN CUTLER, MEMBER
100th LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

HARRISBURG OFFICE:
147A EAST WING
PO BOX 202100
HARRISBURG, PA 17120-2100
(717) 783-6424
FAX: (717) 772-9859

DISTRICT OFFICE:
207 E. STATE STREET
QUARRYVILLE, PA 17566
PHONE: (717) 786-4551
FAX: (717) 786-3645

bryancutler.com

COMMITTEES

HEALTH COMMITTEE
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
GAME & FISHERIES COMMITTEE

House of Representatives
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Harrisburg
MEMORANDUM

July 27, 2011

TO: All House Members
FROM: Representative Bryan Cutler *BC*
RE: *Co-sponsorship-Recognizing Pennsylvania's American Indians*

Please join me in co-sponsoring a resolution to congratulate and recognize Pennsylvania's American Indian Peoples and communities.

The American Indians have provided a wealth of heritage and history within the United States and specifically this Commonwealth. They have inhabited Pennsylvania dating back some 5,000 years. Former Secretary of the PA Historical and Museum Commission, Dr. George Donehoo, acknowledged that "No state in the entire nation is richer in Indian names or in fact Indian history than Pennsylvania."

Some of the great nations that inhabit and previously inhabited the territory known as Pennsylvania are the Lenape, Cherokee, Susquehanna, Unami, Minsi, Miquas, Erie, Muscogee, Mohawk, Huron, Allegany, Shawnee, Susquehannock, Oneida, Onondaga, Cayuga and Seneca Indians, and the Wyandot, Chippewa, Mississauga and many others.

Some of our busiest highways such as Route 1, Route 40, Route 611 and Route 590 began as American Indian paths that were used for trade and hunting. The American Indian culture has contributed to the agricultural development, medicinal discoveries, environmental preservation, commerce, governmental institutions and structures and many other facets of our country and state.

Should you wish to participate in recognizing these important contributions, please contact Jennifer at jwilliam@pahousegop.com or 783-6424.

BC/jjw