A JOINT RESOLUTION

1. Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for absentee voting.

2. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby resolves as follows:

3. Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

4. That section 14 of Article VII be amended to read:


(a) The Legislature shall, by general law, provide a manner in which, and the time and place at which, qualified electors who may, on the occurrence of any election, be absent from the [State or county] municipality of their residence, because their duties, occupation or business require them to be elsewhere or who, on the occurrence of any election, are unable to attend at their proper polling places because of illness or physical disability or who will not attend a polling place because of the
observance of a religious holiday or who cannot vote because of
election day duties, in the case of a county employee, may vote,
and for the return and canvass of their votes in the election
district in which they respectively reside.

(b) For purposes of this section, "municipality" means a
city, borough, incorporated town, township or any similar
genral purpose unit of government which may be created by the
General Assembly.

Section 2. Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of
this proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the
Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the
advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required
advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such
newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of
this proposed constitutional amendment.