

Senate of Pennsylvania



HARRISBURG, PA

Dedication Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Historical Marker Pittsburgh Platform of 1885

Whereas, the Senate of Pennsylvania is pleased to help celebrate the dedication of the official state historical marker commemorating the Pittsburgh Platform of 1885. The historical marker, located near the intersection of Stockton and Cedar Avenues in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, will be formally dedicated to the Allegheny City Society, the Allen K. and Selma W. Berkman Endowment Fund, the Concordia Club, the Rauh Jewish Archives at the Senator John Heinz History Center, and the Rodef Shalom Congregation Archives, on Wednesday, October 10, 2007; and

Whereas, the new Pittsburgh Platform of 1885 historical marker will contribute to the historical recognition of important events that have occurred in the state of Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, the Pittsburgh Platform was a primary statement of American Reform Jewish beliefs and practice that was signed at a conference of eighteen rabbis hosted at the former home of the Concordia Club in the city of Allegheny, now Pittsburgh's North Side. This council of distinguished rabbis, hosted by Rabbi Lippman Mayer of Rodef Shalom Congregation, met at the Concordia Club of Stockton Avenue. The document they adopted remained the primary statement of American Reform Jewish belief and practice well into the twentieth century; and now

Therefore, a copy of this document, sponsored by State Senator Jane Clare Orie, Majority Whip, 40th Senatorial District, is presented to the Allegheny City Society, the Allen K. and Selma W. Berkman Endowment Fund, the Concordia Club, the Rauh Jewish Archives at the Senator John Heinz History Center, and the Rodef Shalom Congregation Archives, in recognition of the dedication of the Pittsburgh Platform of 1885 historical marker. May this historical marker always commemorate an important moment in time that today continues to effect thousands of people.



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