

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



The House of Representatives Citation

Whereas, the House of Representatives is always pleased to recognize those individuals and organizations who share their extraordinary talents and raise public awareness of issues around the world, making the world a closer place; and

Whereas, Shen Yun Performing Arts, the world's premier classical Chinese dance and music company will be returning to the Merriam Theater in Philadelphia with 10 shows from February 19-27, 2022; and

Whereas, Shen Yun translates as "the beauty of divine beings dancing." The company was established in New York State in 2006 with the mission of reviving 5,000 years of traditional Chinese culture which had been lost in many ways under Chinese Communist Party rule; and

Whereas, Shen Yun tours to about 150 cities around the world each year, yet sadly is banned in China; and

Whereas, 2022 marks the 15th year that Philadelphia will host these performances where capacity audiences experience the exquisite artistry and cultural legacy that Shen Yun imparts to the world; and

Whereas, Shen Yun's popularity reflects a growing need for goodness, harmony and renewal. Shen Yun represents and pays tribute to our nation's great democracy still admired and desired around the world, adapting ancient traditions for the modern stage. Classical, ethnic and folk dances are beautifully matched with original scores from their live orchestra. The digital backdrop helps immerse audiences into every scene so that every performance looks beautiful and feels transformative.

Now therefore, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pays tribute to the Shen Yun Performing Arts dance and music company for keeping alive the rich traditions of Chinese culture, raising awareness to a new generation of theater goers around the world and for their performances, makes the world a closer place and raises the importance and awareness of cultures around the world.

And directs that a copy of this citation, sponsored by the Honorable MaryLouise Isaacson, be transmitted to the Greater Philadelphia Falun Dafa Association, P.O. Box 42547, Philadelphia, PA 19101.



A faded background image of the Pennsylvania State Capitol building in Harrisburg, showing its iconic dome and surrounding architecture.

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