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## **MAYOR REED WELCOMES INTERNATIONAL HOUSE STUDENTS TO HARRISBURG**

**Harrisburg, PA**- Mayor Stephen R. Reed and the International House today announced the summer class of 69 students from 17 countries around the world.

International House, which celebrates five years of operation this August, aims to provide a comfortable, friendly and supportive collegial residence for international and U.S. students, scholars and interns which allows them to meet one another and experience different cultures while enjoying all that the city has to offer ([www.ihousehbg.org](http://www.ihousehbg.org) for more information).

Many of the international students and interns currently at International House are affiliated with the Council for Educational Travel (CET) USA, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping Americans and those from other cultures gain a better understanding of one another. The association allows for work and travel abroad while helping participants find employment and enjoy a comfortable stay in their new home. Participating organizations include the Warrell Candy Company (employing over 20 students), Felicita Resort and Spa, Hilton Harrisburg, the Crowne Plaza and the Hilton Garden Inn (each employing approximately 5 students). Other organizations supporting internships for students living at International House include the Office of Governor Edward Rendell, the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, the Pennsylvania State Archives and the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts.

“Harrisburg is truly an international city that welcomes students and visitors from all over the world on a regular basis,” said Mayor Stephen R. Reed. “Since opening in 2002, International House has welcomed over 500 students from 60 different countries around the world.”

International House (owned and operated by an affiliate of Harristown Development Corporation) has become a cultural hub and residential haven for students, interns and young professionals, successfully transforming buildings along Chestnut and Third Streets into fully functional residential spaces. International House seeks to give residents a stimulating cultural experience while returning the favor to the city of Harrisburg. For more information please contact Bradley Jones at (717) 255-1041 or [bradleyjones@harristown.net](mailto:bradleyjones@harristown.net).

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