## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY VANCE, RAFFERTY, ERICKSON, PILEGGI, COSTA, ALLOWAY, BROWNE, BRUBAKER, GREENLEAF, TOMLINSON, VULAKOVICH, BOSCOLA, FERLO, FONTANA, KASUNIC, SMITH, SOLOBAY, TARTAGLIONE AND WASHINGTON, APRIL 28, 2014

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of May 12 through 18, 2014, as "State Squires Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Since the early days of its founding, the Knights of
- 4 Columbus have worked to provide for the welfare and foster the
- 5 development of young people as they follow their paths to
- 6 adulthood; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The Columbian Squires, the official youth
- 8 organization of the Knights of Columbus, is a leadership
- 9 development program for young Catholic men between 10 and 18
- 10 years of age; and
- 11 WHEREAS, More than 25,000 young men participate in more than
- 12 1,500 Columbian Squires local units, called circles, throughout
- 13 the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Philippines, Puerto Rico,
- 14 the Virgin Islands, the Bahamas and Guam; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The Squires is designed to develop men as leaders
- 16 who understand their Catholic religion and who have a strong
- 17 commitment to their church; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The Squires is involved in promoting Catholic social
- 2 causes, such as the preservation of human life, feeding the
- 3 hungry, clothing the poor, supporting Special Olympics and
- 4 promoting Catholic education, among countless other activities;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, A Squires circle is an athletic team, a youth group,
- 7 a social club, a cultural and civic improvement association, a
- 8 management training course, a civil rights organization and a
- 9 spiritual development program all rolled into one; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State Squires Convention will be
- 11 held in Mechanicsburg this year from May 16 through 18; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The theme of this year's convention is "Peace,
- 13 Prosperity, Personhood"; therefore be it
- 14 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of May 12
- 15 through 18, 2014, as "State Squires Week" in Pennsylvania.