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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 47 Session of  
2015

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INTRODUCED BY BOYLE, COHEN, SCHLOSSBERG, VEREB, MACKENZIE,  
THOMAS, DIGIROLAMO, SAINATO, CONKLIN, BROWNLEE, O'BRIEN, KIM,  
BAKER, PICKETT, FARINA, WHEELAND, GALLOWAY, DAVIS, DUSH,  
SONNEY, REGAN, JAMES, BISHOP, MILLARD, READSHAW, MULLERY,  
FLYNN, SCHWEYER, HEFFLEY, R. BROWN, HARKINS, PASHINSKI,  
HARHART, DAVIDSON, BENNINGHOFF, KILLION, MARSICO, HAHN,  
LONGIETTI, HENNESSEY, C. PARKER, A. HARRIS, DRISCOLL,  
D. COSTA, FREEMAN, McCARTER, CALTAGIRONE AND DEASY,  
JANUARY 26, 2015

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JANUARY 26, 2015

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 2015 as "Irish American Heritage Month" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2015, the Irish community in this  
4 Commonwealth will celebrate the occasion of the feast of the  
5 glorious Apostle of Ireland, Saint Patrick; and

6 WHEREAS, "Saint Patrick, Bless, Strengthen and Pray for our  
7 Families" is the theme of the 2015 St. Patrick's Day Parade in  
8 Philadelphia; and

9 WHEREAS, Fleeing political, religious and racial persecution  
10 in their homeland, Irish immigrants arrived on our shores  
11 penniless and unwanted, yet filled with hope that America held a  
12 future in which they and their children would enjoy the  
13 bountiful fruits of a nation founded upon the principles of  
14 liberty and justice for all; and

1       WHEREAS, In every phase of our national history, Irish  
2 Americans have taken their place at the forefront of the  
3 political, economic, religious, social and artistic fields; and

4       WHEREAS, Their contribution to the well-being and welfare of  
5 this Commonwealth is immeasurable and unflinching; therefore be  
6 it

7       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate March  
8 2015 as "Irish American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania and  
9 extend its felicitations and best wishes to the Irish community  
10 in this Commonwealth on this momentous occasion; and be it  
11 further

12       RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the  
13 Taoiseach, Edna Kenny T.D., Department of Taoiseach, Government  
14 Buildings, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin 2, Ireland, and to  
15 Christopher J. Phillips, St. Patrick's Day Observance  
16 Association, P.O. Box 40744, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107.