

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating September 15 through October 15, 2016, as "Hispanic
2 Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania in recognition of the
3 achievements of Hispanic Americans in our Commonwealth.

4 WHEREAS, Hispanics have contributed significantly to the
5 extraordinary diversity and progress of our Commonwealth and our
6 nation; and

7 WHEREAS, Hispanics represent the fastest-growing minority
8 ethnic group in our Commonwealth and our nation; and

9 WHEREAS, With a median age of 27 years, Hispanics comprise
10 the youngest minority ethnic group in the United States; and

11 WHEREAS, An average of 900,000 young persons of Hispanic
12 origin are projected to become eligible to vote each year
13 through 2028; and

14 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania's ethnically diverse population
15 features more than 800,000 Hispanic residents, including persons
16 of Puerto Rican, Mexican and Dominican descent; and

17 WHEREAS, With roots in Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central

1 America and South America, Hispanic Americans culturally enrich
2 our communities, spur business and industry and commit to
3 careers in law enforcement, military service and public service;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Hispanic Americans serve in the Federal and state
6 courts and are members of the Congress of the United States and
7 the General Assembly; and

8 WHEREAS, The Latino population in the United States is
9 projected to grow to 31% of the total United States population
10 by 2060; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate September 15 through
12 October 15, 2016, as "Hispanic Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania
13 in recognition of the achievements of Hispanic Americans in our
14 Commonwealth.