THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 25, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of September 16 through 22, 2018, as
2   "Surgical Technologist Week" in Pennsylvania.

3   WHEREAS, Surgical technologists play a vital role in the care
4 and health of surgical patients in this Commonwealth; and
5   WHEREAS, Surgical technologists, also called scrubs, play an
6 integral role in the surgical team, serving in many capacities
7 alongside of surgeons, nurses, anesthesia providers and other
8 health care personnel; and
9   WHEREAS, All major hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers
10 in this Commonwealth employ surgical technologists to work with
11 surgeons in the operating room to provide quality patient care;
12 and
13   WHEREAS, As a large percentage of the general population
14 approaches retirement age and as technological advances such as
15 fiber optics and laser technology permit new surgical
16 procedures, employment of surgical technologists who are

1 educated in these technologies is expected to grow faster than

2 average for all occupations; and

3   WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, 17 programs in surgical

4 technology graduate quality students; and

5   WHEREAS, Each year the Association of Surgical Technologists

6 designates a week in September as "National Surgical

7 Technologists Week" to celebrate and promote the profession; and

8   WHEREAS, It is fitting that these medical professionals

9 receive recognition for their contributions to the care and

10 health of the residents of this Commonwealth; therefore be it

11   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the

12 week of September 16 through 22, 2018, as "Surgical Technologist

13 Week" in Pennsylvania.