## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION No. 21 Session of 2017

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## A RESOLUTION

1 2 3 4	Designating the month of February 2017 as "USO Month" in Pennsylvania in recognition of the United Service Organizations and its mission to enhance the quality of life of military members and their families.
5	WHEREAS, The United Service Organizations (USO) was founded
6	in 1941 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and has worked in
7	collaboration with the Department of Defense in fulfilling its
8	mission of lifting the spirits of America's troops and their
9	families with collaboration, accountability, respect, gratitude
10	and innovation for 76 years; and
11	WHEREAS, With the generous donations of volunteers and
12	contributors, the USO serves thousands of troops at hundreds of
13	entertainment events each year and through an extensive range of
14	programs and services at more than 160 locations in 27 states
15	and 14 countries; and
16	WHEREAS, USO programs and services support the morale,
17	welfare, social and entertainment needs of troops serving in
18	combat, their families, wounded warriors and their families and

1 families of the fallen; and

2 WHEREAS, USO volunteers provide a home away from home for the 3 troops and help keep them connected to the families they left 4 behind; and

5 WHEREAS, USO military lounges and welcome centers at many 6 airports in the United States provide essential respite for 7 troops on the move; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of February 9 2017 as "USO Month" in Pennsylvania and express its gratitude 10 for the selfless service and sacrifice of the members of the 11 United States Armed Forces and for the work of the United 12 Service Organizations; and be it further 13 RESOLVED, That, in recognition of the USO, we raise awareness

14 of the organization and all of the important services it

15 provides for military members and their families.