## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY VULAKOVICH, BAKER, BREWSTER, BROOKS, BROWNE, COSTA, DINNIMAN, EICHELBERGER, FOLMER, GREENLEAF, HUTCHINSON, RAFFERTY, RESCHENTHALER, SABATINA, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK AND AUMENT, APRIL 24, 2017

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, APRIL 24, 2017

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating May 1, 2017, as "Loyalty Day" in Pennsylvania.
- WHEREAS, The Department of Pennsylvania Veterans of Foreign
- 3 Wars of the United States is conducting its annual "Loyalty Day"
- 4 program on the grounds of the State Capitol on May 1, 2017; and
- 5 WHEREAS, In 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the
- 6 act of July 18, 1958 (Public Law 85-529, 72 Stat. 369), which
- 7 designates the first day in May of each year as "Loyalty Day";
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, "Loyalty Day" is set aside as a special day for
- 10 reaffirming loyalty to the United States and recognizing
- 11 American freedom; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The President of the United States annually issues a
- 13 proclamation calling on officials to proudly display the flag of
- 14 the United States on all government buildings on this special
- 15 day; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Citizens and elected officials are encouraged to

- 1 observe "Loyalty Day" in schools and other appropriate places;
- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, In the post-9/11 world, it is fitting that the
- 4 residents of this Commonwealth pause on "Loyalty Day" to reflect
- 5 on the privileges of freedom, democracy and unmatched
- 6 opportunity that we enjoy in the United States; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate designate May 1, 2017, as "Loyalty
- 8 Day" in Pennsylvania, proudly joining the Department of
- 9 Pennsylvania Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States in
- 10 its observance and commend the department for its continued
- 11 service to our nation and this Commonwealth; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
- 13 Pennsylvania State Veterans of Foreign Wars Commander Thomas A.
- 14 Brown on May 1, 2017, at the "Loyalty Day" program conducted by
- 15 the Department of Pennsylvania Veterans of Foreign Wars of the
- 16 United States on the grounds of the State Capitol.