THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2022

INTRODUCED BY STEPHENS, GUENST AND SANCHEZ, SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the month of September 2022 as "UD Strong Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, In late afternoon on September 1, 2021, portions of
- 4 the Upper Dublin community were in the direct path of an eight-
- 5 mile-long by 400-yard-wide EF-2 tornado associated with
- 6 Hurricane Ida that, in a brief 14-minute period, left
- 7 unimaginable devastation as it passed through the area; and
- 8 WHEREAS, With the destruction associated with 130-mile-per-
- 9 hour winds and five hours of rain that followed, the storm
- 10 claimed one life and generated millions of dollars in damages to
- 11 more than 1,500 public, private and institutional properties;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, Among other impacts, there was displacement of more
- 14 than 115 families, relocation of the Upper Dublin Township
- 15 Police Department and Administrative Offices, reassignment of
- 16 Fort Washington Elementary School students to other buildings,
- 17 interruption of local business operations and permanent changes
- 18 to the Fort Washington and Ambler area landscapes known for

- 1 mature shade trees and tall pines; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Countless first responders, staff, volunteers of all
- 3 ages, community organizations, business owners and others
- 4 graciously, generously and unselfishly contributed their time,
- 5 energy and immeasurable other resources to aid and support those
- 6 impacted by the events of September 1, 2021; therefore be it
- 7 RESOLVED (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly
- 8 recognize the month of September 2022 as "UD Strong Month" in
- 9 Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That on September 1, 2022, the General Assembly
- 11 commemorate the ruin caused by an unforeseen natural disaster,
- 12 followed by the response and outpouring of support to storm
- 13 survivors and, most importantly, the resilience, unity and
- 14 spirit of Upper Dublin Township residents in a time of
- 15 adversity.