THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 191

Session of 2005

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MARCH 29, 2005

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating April 6, 2005, as "Tartan Day" in Pennsylvania.
- WHEREAS, On April 6, 1320, the Scottish Parliament, meeting
- 3 at Arbroath Abbey, sent a declaration to Pope John XXII that
- 4 asserted the independence of Scotland and recited the services
- 5 that their "Lord and sovereign, Robert the Bruce had rendered";
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, The declaration of Scottish independence, known as
- 8 the Declaration of Arbroath, stated "for we fight not for glory,
- 9 nor riches, nor honours, but for freedom alone, which no good
- 10 man gives up except for his life"; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania possesses a rich
- 12 history, filled with the character and strength of a truly

- 1 diverse population; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Within our society, the contributions of Scottish
- 3 Americans are varied and plentiful, and hundreds of thousands of
- 4 Scottish Americans are proud to call Pennsylvania their home;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, In July 1776, members of the Continental Congress
- 7 declared their independence from England and formed the United
- 8 States of America; and
- 9 WHEREAS, As a country born from revolution and a belief in
- 10 freedom for all, it is appropriate to celebrate and recognize
- 11 these values throughout the world; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Over the centuries the contributions of Scottish
- 13 Americans to the growth and prosperity of our nation are well
- 14 documented; and
- WHEREAS, Today over 6 million Americans of Scottish descent
- 16 reside within our borders and continue to donate to a future
- 17 filled with hope, possibility and boundless horizons; therefore
- 18 be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate April
- 20 6, 2005, as "Tartan Day" in Pennsylvania.