

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 535 Session of
2013

INTRODUCED BY SANTARSIERO, CALTAGIRONE, READSHAW, P. DALEY,
GIBBONS, GRELL, COHEN, HEFFLEY, MARSHALL, MILLARD, O'NEILL,
PAYNE, SAYLOR, WHITE, NEILSON, HENNESSEY, MCGEEHAN, BISHOP,
BIZZARRO, BRIGGS, DIGIROLAMO, FRANKEL, MIRABITO, ROSS,
KINSEY, GODSHALL, MAHONEY, PASHINSKI, JAMES, KORTZ, PAINTER,
GOODMAN, MAJOR, KAVULICH, MURT, KIRKLAND, ROCK, PETRI,
YOUNGBLOOD AND GINGRICH, OCTOBER 23, 2013

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 23, 2013

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing October 30, 2013, as "Daughters of the Nile Day" in
2 Pennsylvania in honor of the 100th anniversary of the
3 Daughters of the Nile.

4 WHEREAS, Daughters of the Nile is an international fraternal
5 organization for women 18 years of age or older, who are related
6 by birth or marriage to a Shriner, Master Mason or Daughter of
7 the Nile or are majority members in good standing of a Masonic-
8 related organization for girls; and

9 WHEREAS, Founded in 1913 in Seattle, Washington, Daughters of
10 the Nile members now total over 26,000 in 139 cities throughout
11 the United States and Canada; and

12 WHEREAS, Daughters of the Nile maintains active temples in
13 Altoona, Erie, Harrisburg, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh; and

14 WHEREAS, The members of Daughters of the Nile are proud of
15 their long association with Shriners International and their

1 continuing support of Shriners Hospitals for Children, a network
2 of 22 hospitals throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico
3 that provide pediatric care for specialty areas of orthopedics,
4 burns, spinal cord injuries and cleft lip and palate, regardless
5 of the patients' ability to pay; and

6 WHEREAS, Through the Daughters of the Nile Foundation and
7 Canadian Trust, Daughters of the Nile contributes over \$1.7
8 million each year to Shriners Hospitals for Children to be used
9 for the medical care and rehabilitation of children; and

10 WHEREAS, Since 1924, Daughters of the Nile has contributed
11 more than \$50 million to this cause; and

12 WHEREAS, In recognition of monetary contributions by
13 Daughters of the Nile, Shriners Hospitals for Children have
14 placed gold plaques, each representing \$1 million, on the
15 philanthropic walls of all 22 hospitals; and

16 WHEREAS, Twelve hospitals have two gold plaques and three
17 hospitals have three gold plaques; and

18 WHEREAS, Each year, the members of Daughters of the Nile give
19 generously of their time and talents by providing more than
20 150,000 volunteer hours at the Shriners Hospitals for Children;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, In addition, they sew clothing and quilts and
23 provide toys, books, games and other educational and
24 recreational items, with an annual value well over \$900,000;
25 therefore be it

26 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize October
27 30, 2013, as "Daughters of the Nile Day" in Pennsylvania in
28 honor of the 100th anniversary of Daughters of the Nile and
29 recognize Daughters of the Nile's support of Shriners Hospitals
30 for Children.