

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

---

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 762 Session of  
2004

---

INTRODUCED BY PERZEL, S. H. SMITH, FEESE, E. Z. TAYLOR, BUNT,  
CIVERA, ARGALL, DeWEESE, VEON, COY, COHEN, STETLER AND  
D. EVANS, MAY 26, 2004

---

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MAY 26, 2004

---

A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring May 31, 2004, as "Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, Noble soldiers have preserved the American way of  
3 life and freedom for 229 years; and

4 WHEREAS, With courage and devotion to their country, they  
5 leave their families and lives behind; and

6 WHEREAS, Whether in an office, helicopter, airplane, ship or  
7 tank or on a battlefield, they carry their expertise and  
8 professionalism; and

9 WHEREAS, The soldiers are trained and proficient in their  
10 combat tasks and skills; and

11 WHEREAS, Through the brave and compassionate actions of these  
12 soldiers, they become role models and an inspiration to every  
13 American generation; and

14 WHEREAS, They are ready to engage the enemies of the United  
15 States and are never willing to quit and accept defeat; and

16 WHEREAS, Our nation turns to these individuals in states of

1   panic, fear and distress to secure our safety; and

2       WHEREAS, Loyal soldiers fearlessly risk their lives, without  
3   hesitation, to the call of duty; and

4       WHEREAS, Over 1,190,838 American men and women have died in  
5   combat since the American Revolution in 1775 to the ongoing  
6   Operation Iraqi Freedom; and

7       WHEREAS, In order to recognize America's fallen heroes, the  
8   House of Representatives take a moment of silent remembrance at  
9   3 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on May 31, 2004; therefore be it

10      RESOLVED, That May 31, 2004, be declared "Memorial Day" in  
11   Pennsylvania in order to formally recognize and pay tribute to  
12   the past and current armed forces who have fallen to protect and  
13   preserve the Commonwealth and the nation; and be it further

14      RESOLVED, That every citizen be urged to honor the heroic and  
15   brave soldiers who gave the ultimate sacrifice to ensure our  
16   freedom on that day.