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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY PILEGGI, EICHELBERGER, WASHINGTON, ERICKSON,  
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SMITH, HUGHES, KITCHEN AND RAFFERTY, OCTOBER 6, 2014

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of October 18 through 24, 2014, as "Pro  
2 Bono Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania attorneys provide legal assistance at  
4 low or no cost, commonly referred to as "pro bono" work, to more  
5 than 100,000 low-income clients each year, including 10,000  
6 mortgage foreclosure cases and 12,000 domestic violence cases;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, The fifth annual National Pro Bono Week will be  
9 celebrated at the end of October 2014; and

10 WHEREAS, National Pro Bono Week is an opportunity to  
11 highlight the difference attorneys make in their communities, to  
12 recruit and train more pro bono volunteers and to acknowledge  
13 the partnerships that form the basis for many of the private  
14 bar's most successful pro bono efforts; and

15 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Bar Association is once again  
16 joining with the American Bar Association to sponsor this  
17 October's annual National Pro Bono Week celebrations; and

1       WHEREAS, National Pro Bono Week provides numerous  
2 opportunities to highlight the good work Pennsylvania attorneys  
3 do for the most needy among us; and

4       WHEREAS, Pro bono legal services contribute to the effective  
5 and efficient administration of justice; and

6       WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is a leader in celebrating National Pro  
7 Bono Week with what have become annual events at many sites  
8 across this Commonwealth, and with new events being planned for  
9 this year; therefore be it

10       RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of October 18  
11 through 24, 2014, as "Pro Bono Week" in Pennsylvania.