

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 100th anniversary of the unifying convention of  
2 the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

3 WHEREAS, At a unifying convention on September 17, 1914,  
4 members of the American Veterans of Foreign Service and the  
5 National Society of the Army of the Philippines merged their  
6 organizations and voted to adopt the name Veterans of Foreign  
7 Wars of the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, The unifying convention took place at the Schenley  
9 Hotel in Pittsburgh, which is now the William Pitt Union  
10 building on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh; and

11 WHEREAS, With more than two million members, the Veterans of  
12 Foreign Wars of the United States remain active in communities  
13 at the international, national, state and local levels; and

14 WHEREAS, The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States  
15 provides financial, social and emotional support to members of  
16 the armed forces, veterans and their dependents throughout the

1 United States; and

2 WHEREAS, The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States  
3 work on behalf of service members by calling for better health  
4 care and benefits for veterans; and

5 WHEREAS, The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States  
6 annually donate more than 13 million volunteer hours of  
7 community service; and

8 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Department of the Veterans of  
9 Foreign Wars of the United States lead the nation with more than  
10 90,000 combat veterans as members belonging to nearly 400 posts  
11 Statewide; therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the 100th anniversary of  
13 the unifying convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the  
14 United States; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate commend the members of the Veterans  
16 of Foreign Wars of the United States for their courage and  
17 sacrifice in service to the United States; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage all Pennsylvanians to  
19 express their appreciation for the honor, courage and bravery of  
20 United States veterans and for the service of the Veterans of  
21 Foreign Wars of the United States.