

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 75th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Turnpike
2 and its impact on this Commonwealth and America's Interstate
3 Highway System.

4 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Turnpike will celebrate 75 years of
5 service in October, 2015; and

6 WHEREAS, The original, 160-mile section of the Pennsylvania
7 Turnpike opened just after midnight on October 1, 1940,
8 welcoming motorists to travel between Carlisle and Irwin; and

9 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Turnpike set the national standard
10 for modern, limited-access highways and served as the model upon
11 which America's Interstate Highway System was built; and

12 WHEREAS, The original, 160-mile toll road that carried 2.7
13 million vehicles in its first full year of operation has today
14 been expanded to 552 miles carrying more than 194 million
15 vehicles a year; and

16 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Turnpike is in the process of
17 rebuilding and widening the entire roadway from four lanes to

1 six lanes to meet today's traffic demands and safety and design
2 standards; and

3 WHEREAS, More than 110 miles have been rebuilt and widened to
4 date, and work continues as the Pennsylvania Turnpike remains
5 committed to putting its customers' safety first; and

6 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Turnpike, known as "America's First
7 Superhighway," forever changed the way Americans traveled and is
8 considered to be one of Pennsylvania's most treasured historic
9 assets; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the 75th anniversary of
11 the Pennsylvania Turnpike and its impact on this Commonwealth
12 and America's Interstate Highway System.