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A RESOLUTION

Recognizing the month of October 2016 as "National Arts and 1 Humanities Month" in Pennsylvania. 2 3 WHEREAS, The month of October has been recognized as 4 "National Arts and Humanities Month" by thousands of arts and 5 cultural organizations and by communities and states across our 6 nation as well as by the White House and the Congress of the 7 United States for more than 30 years; and 8 WHEREAS, The arts and humanities embody much of the 9 accumulated wisdom, intellect and imagination of humankind; and 10 WHEREAS, The arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives 11 of every American; and 12 WHEREAS, The arts and humanities play a unique role in the 13 lives of our families, our communities and our nation; and 14 WHEREAS, The nonprofit arts industry strengthens the economy 15 of this Commonwealth by generating \$2.5 billion in total 16 economic activity annually and \$360 million in State and local government revenue and by supporting the full-time equivalent of 17 81,000 jobs; and 18

WHEREAS, The Senate calls upon residents of this Commonwealth to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in our State and nation and specifically encourages greater participation and action on behalf of the arts and humanities in the towns and cities of this Commonwealth; therefore be it RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of October 2016 as "National Arts and Humanities Month" in Pennsylvania.