## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2018

INTRODUCED BY BAKER, FONTANA, BROWNE, SABATINA, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN, MARTIN, BLAKE, COSTA, RAFFERTY, BARTOLOTTA, GREENLEAF, ARGALL, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, SCHWANK AND HUGHES, MAY 21, 2018

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of May 2018 as "Summer Camps Month" in 1 Pennsylvania in recognition of the rich benefits that summer 2 camps provide for the positive development of youths and the enhancement of local communities. 4 5 WHEREAS, Summer camps provide new experiences for youths 6 which expand their personal growth; and 7 WHEREAS, Summer camps nurture through nature and teach the importance of environmental stewardship; and 8 9 WHEREAS, Summer camps provide youths with leadership 10 opportunities through which they can hone and develop their decisionmaking skills for long-term success; and 11 WHEREAS, Summer camps provide an "unplugged" environment 12 13 which allows youths the time and opportunity to emote and 14 converse face-to-face; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Summer camps teach critical-thinking and problem-
- 16 solving skills to youths that will serve them well in all
- 17 aspects of their life; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Summer camps play a vital role in building strong

- 1 communities and model citizens; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Summer camps foster compassionate behavior by
- 3 allowing youths to participate in local service projects; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Hundreds of summer camps operate across this
- 5 Commonwealth, hosting tens of thousands of in-State and out-of-
- 6 State youths; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Summer camps pay millions of dollars in property and
- 8 payroll taxes and for purchases of local goods and services; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Memorial Day holiday weekend is often viewed as
- 10 the unofficial start of summer as well as the start of summer
- 11 camp season in Pennsylvania; therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of May 2018 as
- 13 "Summer Camps Month" in Pennsylvania in recognition of the rich
- 14 benefits that summer camps provide for the positive development
- 15 of youths and the enhancement of local communities.