THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 79 Session of 1985

INTRODUCED BY GODSHALL, STEVENS, CHADWICK, FOX, PUNT, WASS, BUNT, HAGARTY AND CORNELL, APRIL 16, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, APRIL 17, 1985

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of May 12, 1985, as "Law Enforcement Week." 2 WHEREAS, Law enforcement is one of the essential services 3 provided the citizens of our great Nation; and WHEREAS, Professional police officers of America have served 4 5 the citizens of their community with dedication and integrity; 6 and 7 WHEREAS, Over the past decade there have been 1,200 police 8 officers slain and over 22,000 reported assaults on police 9 officers; and 10 WHEREAS, Because of poor economic conditions within our Commonwealth, we have fewer professional police officers serving 11 12 our citizens than a decade ago; and 13 WHEREAS, This shortage of police personnel has caused great 14 stress and anxiety which has resulted in severe health and 15 family relation problems within this group of dedicated public 16 servants; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the week of May 12, 1985, be recognized as

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¹ "Law Enforcement Week" and that the day of May 15, 1985, be ² recognized as "Police Officers' Memorial Day" to coincide with ³ the resolution signed by the late President John F. Kennedy on ⁴ October 1, 1962, (Public Law 87-726, 36 U.S.C. § 167) dedicating ⁵ the above dates to the members of law enforcement who serve ⁶ their communities, especially those who have been slain in the ⁷ line of duty; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to9 Governor Dick Thornburgh.