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## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring all Pennsylvania veterans who served during war and  
2 peace on the occasion of Veterans Day, November 11, 2014.

3 WHEREAS, In 1918, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in  
4 the eleventh month, the world rejoiced and celebrated because,  
5 after four years of bitter war, an armistice was signed that  
6 declared the "war to end all wars" over; and

7 WHEREAS, November 11 was set aside as Armistice Day in the  
8 United States to remember the sacrifices men and women made  
9 during World War I in order to ensure a lasting peace; and

10 WHEREAS, On the first Armistice Day, soldiers who survived  
11 the war marched in a parade through their hometowns, and

1 politicians, public officials and veteran officers gave speeches  
2 and held ceremonies of thanks for the peace they had won; and

3 WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States voted Armistice  
4 Day a legal holiday in 1938, but Americans realized that the  
5 previous war would not be the last one; and

6 WHEREAS, World War II began the following year, and nations  
7 great and small again participated in a bloody struggle; and

8 WHEREAS, After World War II, Armistice Day continued to be  
9 observed on November 11; and

10 WHEREAS, In 1953, townspeople in Emporia, Kansas, called the  
11 holiday "Veterans Day" in gratitude to the veterans in their  
12 town; and

13 WHEREAS, Soon after, Congress passed a bill renaming the  
14 national holiday as Veterans Day; and

15 WHEREAS, Americans still give thanks to veterans for their  
16 service on Veterans Day with ceremonies and speeches, and at 11  
17 a.m. many Americans observe a moment of silence in remembrance  
18 of those who fought and for those who gave their lives to  
19 preserve the freedoms we now enjoy; therefore be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor all  
21 Pennsylvania veterans who served during war and peace on the  
22 occasion of Veterans Day, November 11, 2014, and honor the men  
23 and women who currently serve in our armed forces at home and  
24 abroad in America's war on terrorism; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage  
26 communities to participate in Veterans Day ceremonies across  
27 this Commonwealth in recognition of those who have served the  
28 United States and this Commonwealth in the past and those who  
29 continue to serve our country in its current time of need.