
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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RAFFERTY, PILEGGI, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, KASUNIC AND BRUBAKER,
APRIL 16, 2013

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, APRIL 16, 2013

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of April 21 through 27, 2013, as "National
2 Volunteer Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week has been established to
4 recognize, inspire and encourage people of all ages to get
5 involved by dedicating themselves to taking action and solving
6 problems in their communities through volunteering; and

7 WHEREAS, Established in 1974, National Volunteer Week began
8 when President Richard M. Nixon signed an Executive order to
9 establish the week as an annual celebration; and

10 WHEREAS, The event has grown exponentially in scope each year
11 since its inception, gaining the endorsement and support of all
12 subsequent United States presidents, governors, mayors and other
13 respected elected officials throughout the country; and

14 WHEREAS, Between September 2011 and September 2012,
15 approximately 64.5 million people in the United States
16 volunteered, according to the United States Bureau of Labor

1 Statistics; and

2 WHEREAS, The 2013 theme, "Celebrate Service," honors the
3 people who devote themselves to lead by example by not only
4 encouraging the people they help, but motivating others to serve
5 as well; and

6 WHEREAS, In 2007, the Points of Light Foundation joined
7 forces with the HandsOn Network to encourage and organize
8 volunteerism on a community level, which created the country's
9 largest volunteer management organization; and

10 WHEREAS, Nonprofit, civic, educational, religious and
11 community organizations will be celebrating National Volunteer
12 Week in their own unique ways; and

13 WHEREAS, Businesses, clubs, associations, foundations,
14 organizations and families throughout Pennsylvania are
15 encouraged to take part in this civic generosity and participate
16 in this week through offering their services and time to
17 individuals and the community; therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the week of April 21
19 through 27, 2013, as "National Volunteer Week" in Pennsylvania.