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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing September 11, 2015, as the 14th anniversary of the
- 2 September 11, 2001, Al Qaeda attacks on our nation and
- 3 honoring the sacrifices of the victims and first responders.
- WHEREAS, The September 11, 2001, attacks were a series of
- 5 four coordinated terrorist attacks masterminded by Osama bin
- 6 Laden; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Al Qaeda terrorists hijacked planes to execute
- 8 suicide attacks on the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in
- 9 New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, DC; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The terrorists also attempted to attack a third
- 11 target on that fateful day, but they were unsuccessful and
- 12 crashed a hijacked plane into a field in Stony Creek Township,
- 13 Somerset County; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The heroic efforts of the passengers of United
- 2 Airlines Flight 93, who attempted to retake control of the
- 3 plane, averted further tragedy, most likely in Washington, DC;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, The multiple tragedies that occurred on September
- 6 11, 2001, have affected the lives of all Americans; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Almost 3,000 people died in the September 11th
- 8 attacks; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The families, friends and coworkers of these victims
- 10 have suffered most from the cowardly acts of Al Qaeda militants;
- 11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, First responders in New York City, Washington, DC,
- 13 and Shanksville sacrificed greatly to rescue the victims of the
- 14 September 11th plane crashes, and many lost their lives in the
- 15 process; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Individuals from all walks of life have helped to
- 17 rebuild these crash sites and memorialize the victims over the
- 18 past 10 years; and
- 19 WHEREAS, The men and women of our armed forces have fought
- 20 bravely and tirelessly in the global war on terror to track down
- 21 Osama bin Laden and protect our nation; therefore be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
- 23 September 11, 2015, as the 14th anniversary of the September 11,
- 24 2001, Al Qaeda attacks on our nation; and be if further
- 25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives remember the
- 26 almost 3,000 victims of the September 11th attacks and the
- 27 countless others who faced personal tragedies on that day; and
- 28 be it further
- 29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the
- 30 sacrifices made by first responders on and after September 11,

- 1 2001, as they risked their lives to rescue and protect victims
- 2 of this tragic day and all Americans; and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives venerate the
- 4 brave soldiers who have waged the war on terror over the past 10
- 5 years and continue to do so; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
- 7 Pennsylvanians and Americans to recall and recapture the unity
- 8 with which we, in the months following September 11, 2001,
- 9 overcame the many challenges and threats we faced; and be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
- 12 Pennsylvanians and Americans to share the history of September
- 13 11, 2001, with generations to come.