THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 729

Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY BOYLE, QUIGLEY, KIRKLAND, HENNESSEY, ROZZI, COHEN, REGAN, ELLIS, VEREB, DIGIROLAMO, YOUNGBLOOD, W. KELLER, O'NEILL, MILLARD, DRISCOLL, KILLION, MURT, WARD, READSHAW, DIAMOND, THOMAS, SCHWEYER, WHEELAND, WATSON, GROVE, O'BRIEN, ROSS, GERGELY, FARINA, JOZWIAK, MAHONEY, A. HARRIS, MAJOR, GOODMAN, MARSICO, GINGRICH AND BRADFORD, MARCH 14, 2016

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MARCH 14, 2016

A RESOLUTION

- Recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Easter Rising in Ireland.
- 3 WHEREAS, The Easter Rising was an armed rebellion against
- 4 British rule on the island of Ireland that took place April 24
- 5 through 29, 1916; and
- 6 WHEREAS, On the morning of Easter Monday, volunteer troops
- 7 along with the Irish Citizen Army set out to occupy buildings in
- 8 central Dublin, including the General Post Office, the Four
- 9 Courts and the South Dublin Union; and
- 10 WHEREAS, These buildings were captured, reinforced and used
- 11 as the rebels' headquarters and the seat of their provisional
- 12 government; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Despite the initial advantages of the element of
- 14 surprise and greater numbers of troops, the rebels were
- 15 ultimately defeated by the British forces; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Due to the densely populated sites in which the
- 2 fighting occurred, more than 250 civilians lost their lives as a
- 3 result of the Easter Rising; and
- WHEREAS, This event is largely viewed as the spark that led
- 5 to the Irish War of Independence and the creation of the
- 6 Republic of Ireland in 1922; therefore be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 8 100th anniversary of the Easter Rising in Ireland.