## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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## A RESOLUTION

Designating the month of April 2016 as "Community Service 1 Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania. 2 3 WHEREAS, Community service and civic pride are core principles of this Commonwealth; and 4 5 WHEREAS, Each year, Pennsylvanians donate millions of dollars 6 and volunteer hours to foundations and nonprofit corporations in 7 order to better our communities and this Commonwealth; and 8 WHEREAS, The Department of State has registered 11,668 charities in this Commonwealth; and 9 10 WHEREAS, According to the Corporation for National and 11 Community Service, almost 27% of Pennsylvanians engage in 12 informal volunteering, such as helping a neighbor or assisting a 13 senior citizen; and 14 WHEREAS, In 2014, 2.8 million Pennsylvanians volunteered 348 15 million hours of service for a cause, foundation or nonprofit

1 corporation; and

2 WHEREAS, The average dollar value for one hour of a volunteer's time in Pennsylvania is \$22.63; and 3 4 WHEREAS, Annually, Pennsylvanians donate 34 volunteer hours 5 per capita; and 6 WHEREAS, Every volunteer in Pennsylvania deserves thanks and 7 recognition for their contributions; therefore be it 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the 9 month of April 2016 as "Community Service Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania and congratulate all Pennsylvanians on their 10 participation in all forms of community service or volunteerism. 11

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