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SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating October 6, 2015, as "Pulaski Memorial Day" in
- 2 Pennsylvania commemorating the 236th anniversary of General
- 3 Casimīr Pulaski's death in 1779.
- 4 WHEREAS, General Casimir Pulaski was born March 6, 1745, in
- 5 Warsaw, Poland; and
- 6 WHEREAS, General Pulaski was a true patriot committed to the
- 7 defense of freedom and the sovereignty of nations; and
- 8 WHEREAS, General Pulaski, who fought against Russian,
- 9 Austrian and Prussian control of Poland, was forced to flee his
- 10 country for France, where he met and became a close friend of
- 11 the American representative and statesman Benjamin Franklin; and
- 12 WHEREAS, General Pulaski joined the Continental Army and
- 13 proved himself to be a brilliant tactician and leader; and
- 14 WHEREAS, General Pulaski's valiant skills and services to the
- 15 American Revolution brought him honor and acclaim; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Named General of the Cavalry on September 15, 1777,
- 17 General Pulaski earned the title of "Father of the American

- 1 Cavalry"; and
- 2 WHEREAS, General Pulaski commanded the cavalry in battles at
- 3 Brandywine and Germantown; and
- 4 WHEREAS, In May 1779, General Pulaski contributed to the
- 5 successful defense of Charleston, South Carolina, against a
- 6 larger British force, breaking British momentum and boosting the
- 7 morale of American troops; and
- 8 WHEREAS, In October 1779, General Pulaski led a charge behind
- 9 the French line of infantry to break the British defense in the
- 10 siege of Savannah, Georgia, where he was mortally wounded; and
- 11 WHEREAS, General Pulaski's lifework and ideals are a source
- 12 of strength and pride to Americans of Polish ancestry and
- 13 reflect the customs and culture of the Polish people; therefore
- 14 be it
- 15 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate October 6, 2015, as
- 16 "Pulaski Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania commemorating the 236th
- 17 anniversary of General Casimir Pulaski's death in 1779; and be
- 18 it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That the Senate extend best wishes to the Polish
- 20 American community in Philadelphia on the 82nd anniversary of
- 21 the Pulaski Day Parade.