

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 219 Session of 2015

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MENSCH AND BLAKE, OCTOBER 20, 2015

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, OCTOBER 20, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Remembering the Honorable Thomas F. Lamb of Mt. Lebanon,
2 Allegheny County, esteemed former member of the General
3 Assembly, who died May 7, 2015, at 92 years of age.

4 WHEREAS, Thomas F. Lamb, a Pittsburgh native, was born on
5 October 22, 1922; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb was a son of James Lamb, a rail yard clerk,
7 and Agnes Dunne Lamb, an Irish immigrant; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb graduated from St. James High School, West
9 End, and earned degrees from Duquesne University and Duquesne
10 University Law School; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb was a veteran of World War II, having
12 attained the rank of lieutenant in the United States Navy; and

13 WHEREAS, Before embarking on his legislative career, Mr. Lamb
14 worked as an attorney in Beechview; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb was elected in 1958 to the House of
16 Representatives from the 9th District and was reelected to three
17 consecutive terms thereafter; and

1 WHEREAS, In the Senate, Mr. Lamb represented the 42nd
2 District from 1967 through 1974, rising to the leadership
3 position of Senate Majority Leader; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb spearheaded legislative reforms related to
5 State government, education, public transportation and
6 conservation, including measures for clean streams, mine
7 subsidence and strip mine control; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb was instrumental in the University of
9 Pittsburgh's transition from a private institution to a State-
10 related institution; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb additionally served on the Commission on
12 Interstate Cooperation, Joint State Government Commission and
13 Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission of 1971-
14 1973; and

15 WHEREAS, From 1986 through 1991, Mr. Lamb continued his
16 notable leadership, service and outreach as Secretary of
17 Legislative Affairs of the Commonwealth; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb went on to serve as the first chairman of
19 the board of the statutorily established Port of Pittsburgh
20 Commission; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb was a former trustee of Robert Morris
22 University and former trustee and vice chancellor of government
23 relations of the University of Pittsburgh; and

24 WHEREAS, A longtime member of the Allegheny County and
25 Pennsylvania Bar Associations, Mr. Lamb generously directed his
26 energies to the Knights of Columbus, American Legion, Veterans
27 of Foreign Wars, Knights of Equity, Pittsburgh Banjo Club and
28 West End Survivors; and

29 WHEREAS, Mr. Lamb's wife, Barbara Joyce Lamb; sons, Thomas F.
30 Lamb, Jr., James Lamb and Michael Lamb; daughter, Barbara

1 Garvey; sisters, Agnes Lamb and Catherine Williams; brother,
2 James Lamb; and numerous grandchildren and nieces and nephews
3 survive him; therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That the Senate remember the Honorable Thomas F.
5 Lamb of Mt. Lebanon, Allegheny County, esteemed former member of
6 the General Assembly, who died May 7, 2015, at 92 years of age;
7 and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
9 Mrs. Barbara Joyce Lamb.