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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing April 29, 2017, as "T'ai Chi and Qigong Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, "World T'ai Chi and Qigong Day" is celebrated in
- 4 hundreds of cities and in more than 70 nations annually; and
- 5 WHEREAS, T'ai chi and qigong's traditional Chinese exercises
- 6 involve a series of mindful relaxed movements and mind-body
- 7 meditations; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Individuals of all fitness levels benefit from using
- 9 the techniques of t'ai chi and qigong; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Harvard Medical School brands t'ai chi and qigong as
- 11 medication in motion for the myriad of health benefits that they
- 12 offer; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Emory University School of Medicine describes t'ai
- 14 chi and qigong as a series of movements creating strength and
- 15 improving balance, flexibility and cardiovascular health; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The University of Miami School of Medicine
- 17 determined that t'ai chi and qigong improve the behavior of

- 1 adolescents with attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder;
- 2 and
- 3 WHEREAS, The numerous studies of t'ai chi and gigong by the
- 4 National Institutes of Health reveal benefits, including stress
- 5 reduction, strengthening the immune system and overall general
- 6 health; and
- 7 WHEREAS, T'ai chi and qiqong provide stress management and
- 8 behavior modification for drug abusers and prison inmates in
- 9 penal systems throughout the world; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The objective of "World T'ai Chi and Qigong Day" is
- 11 to bring practitioners together and enable individuals to learn
- 12 more about t'ai chi and qigong throughout this day of
- 13 celebration; and therefore be it
- 14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize April
- 15 29, 2017, as "T'ai Chi and Qigong Day" in Pennsylvania.