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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating the week of April 15 through 21, 2018, as 2 "Pittsburgh Life Sciences Week 2018" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The life sciences are the branches of science that
- 4 deal with living organisms and life processes, including fields
- 5 such as biology, medicine, biotechnology and many more; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The Department of Community and Economic Development
- 7 reports that more than 78,000 Pennsylvanians work in life
- 8 sciences fields, which represent an employment concentration 10%
- 9 greater than the national average and establish the Commonwealth
- 10 as an international leader in life sciences research and
- 11 development, innovation, investment and patenting; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The City of Pittsburgh and its greater metropolitan
- 13 area comprise a diverse life sciences community, featuring
- 14 pharmaceutical, medical device, diagnostic and biotech
- 15 companies; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth's position at the global forefront

- 1 of the life sciences is owed, in part, to the academic and
- 2 research programs at its world-class colleges and universities;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, The University of Pittsburgh, established in this
- 5 Commonwealth more than 230 years ago, is a renowned State-
- 6 related institution committed to research in the life sciences,
- 7 educating future scientists and cultivating new health care
- 8 innovations; and
- 9 WHEREAS, In recognition of the important contribution that
- 10 the life sciences community plays in this Commonwealth's economy
- 11 and quality of life, the University of Pittsburgh hosts the
- 12 second annual "Pittsburgh Life Sciences Week" from April 16
- 13 through 20, 2018; and
- 14 WHEREAS, "Pittsburgh Life Sciences Week 2018" brings together
- 15 the members of this vital community and creates a platform for
- 16 them to network and collaborate; therefore be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 18 week of April 15 through 21, 2018, as "Pittsburgh Life Sciences
- 19 Week 2018" in Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend the
- 21 leadership and planners of "Pittsburgh Life Sciences Week 2018"
- 22 on their work to showcase and strengthen the Greater Pittsburgh
- 23 area's role in this Commonwealth's life sciences community.