

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 796 Session of 2018

INTRODUCED BY HICKERNELL, BOBACK, R. BROWN, BURNS, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DAVIS, DAY, DIGIROLAMO, DRISCOLL, DUSH, EVERETT, FEE, GROVE, HEFFLEY, HENNESSEY, KINSEY, LONGIETTI, MENTZER, B. MILLER, MURT, NEILSON, O'NEILL, QUIGLEY, READSHAW, ROTHMAN, RYAN, SAYLOR, SCHLOSSBERG, SONNEY, STAATS, THOMAS, TOOIL, WARD AND YOUNGBLOOD, APRIL 6, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 6, 2018

## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating April 11, 2018, as "Boys and Girls Clubs Youth of  
2 the Year Day" in Pennsylvania in recognition of the role Boys  
3 and Girls Clubs of America has played in the nation and in  
4 this Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, Since 1906, the Boys and Girls Clubs of America have  
6 touched the lives of millions of children and teens through  
7 membership and community outreach; and

8 WHEREAS, The Boys and Girls Clubs of America have more than  
9 4,000 club locations in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the  
10 Virgin Islands, plus domestic and international military bases;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth is home to 17 independent Boys and  
13 Girls Clubs of America organizations operating in 75  
14 neighborhoods; and

15 WHEREAS, The Boys and Girls Clubs of America serve more than  
16 56,000 children across this Commonwealth from 6 to 18 years of

1 age; and

2 WHEREAS, The Boys and Girls Clubs of America have helped, and  
3 continue to help, hundreds of thousands of Pennsylvania's youths  
4 avoid drugs and gangs, earn better grades, stay fit, prepare for  
5 careers, learn responsibility, gain confidence and develop  
6 leadership, communication and teamwork skills; and

7 WHEREAS, Started in 1947, "Youth of the Year Day" honors  
8 members representing each of the 17 clubs across this  
9 Commonwealth for their outstanding service to their clubs and  
10 their communities; and

11 WHEREAS, On "Youth of the Year Day," a diverse panel of  
12 community leaders chooses one club member among this elite group  
13 of children and young adults to be named "Youth of the Year";  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, In 2018, we honor the following 9 youths who have  
16 made an indelible impression on their local clubs and  
17 communities:

18 Jeramiah D. Lyons, Boys and Girls Club of Allentown  
19 Zaria Ladice Carter, Boys and Girls Club of Harrisburg  
20 Martine Paul, Boys and Girls Club of Lancaster  
21 Raul Mendez, Boys and Girls Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania  
22 David Waskiewicz, Boys and Girls Club of Philadelphia  
23 Jayla Ellis, Boys and Girls Club of Western Pennsylvania  
24 Nicole Marie Scarpaci, North Penn Valley Boys and Girls Club  
25 Roberto Jafet Jaime, Olivet Boys and Girls Club of Reading  
26 and Berks County  
27 Laniya White, Sarah Heinz House of Pittsburgh;  
28 therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate April  
30 11, 2018, as "Boys and Girls Clubs Youth of the Year Day" in

1 Pennsylvania in recognition of the role Boys and Girls Clubs of  
2 America has played in the nation and in this Commonwealth.