THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 4, 2018

A RESOLUTION

- Recognizing the bicentennial of the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Founded April 20, 1818, the United States District
- 4 Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania is part of the
- 5 United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Originally, a United States District Court for the
- 7 District of Pennsylvania was established in 1789; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The United States District Court for the District of
- 9 Pennsylvania was split into an Eastern District and a Western
- 10 District in 1818; and
- 11 WHEREAS, In 1901, the courts were again divided to create the
- 12 Middle District of Pennsylvania; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Now, the court is located in Pittsburgh, Erie and
- 14 Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and is comprised of ten judges; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The United States District Court for the Western
- 16 District of Pennsylvania has heard many notable cases, including
- 17 a number of organized crime, gang and RICO cases and the Curtis
- 18 Strong case involving the dealing of drugs to high profile Major

- 1 League Baseball players; and
- 2 WHEREAS, On June 1, 2018, a "Celebration of Liberty and
- 3 Justice for All" will be held in honor of the bicentennial of
- 4 the United States District Court for the Western District of
- 5 Pennsylvania; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The event will include reflections and discussions
- 7 on the history of court and the unveiling of the Historic Eagle;
- 8 therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 10 bicentennial of the United States District Court for the Western
- 11 District of Pennsylvania.