THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1005 Session of 2018

INTRODUCED BY PHILLIPS-HILL, BIZZARRO, CALTAGIRONE, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DAVIDSON, A. DAVIS, DiGIROLAMO, DUSH, HAHN, HENNESSEY, HILL-EVANS, KINSEY, KIRKLAND, LONGIETTI, MACKENZIE, MARSICO, J. McNEILL, MILLARD, NEILSON, PICKETT, M. QUINN, READSHAW, SCHLOSSBERG, SONNEY, TOOHIL AND WARD, JUNE 22, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 22, 2018

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of August 6 through 10, 2018, as "YMCA Advocacy Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania maintains more YMCAs than any other
- 4 state in the United States, with 68 associations and 105 branch
- 5 locations; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The YMCA is a charitable, nonprofit organization
- 7 committed to ensuring no individual will be denied services or
- 8 participation in YMCA programs, including child care, day and
- 9 summer camps or YMCA membership, because of economic hardship;
- 10 and
- 11 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania YMCAs have more than 700,000 members
- 12 and more than 180,000 individuals participating in programs and
- 13 services for children and families, teens and older adults; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The YMCA promotes youth development, healthy living
- 15 and social responsibility in a variety of programs and services

- 1 to more than 1 million people of all ages, backgrounds, faiths
- 2 and income levels; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania YMCAs are the largest child-care
- 4 service providers in this Commonwealth, subsidizing the care of
- 5 one in five children, which service is valued at more than \$11
- 6 million; and
- 7 WHEREAS, YMCAs provide long-term and short-term housing to
- 8 fight homelessness in this Commonwealth; and
- 9 WHEREAS, YMCAs depend on the outstanding efforts of more than
- 10 34,000 volunteers who provide valuable community services across
- 11 this Commonwealth serving as child-care aides, swim instructors,
- 12 tutors, mentors, coaches, chaperones and advocates, with
- 13 volunteer hours exceeding \$740,000 in value; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania YMCAs emphasize and maintain the core
- 15 values of honesty, caring, respect and responsibility in all
- 16 operations; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania YMCAs uphold the standards of
- 18 accountability, ethics, responsibility and transparency
- 19 entrusted upon them by the public as charitable organizations,
- 20 standing as leaders of the nonprofit community; therefore be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 22 week of August 6 through 10, 2018, as "YMCA Advocacy Week" in
- 23 Pennsylvania.