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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY R. BROWN, KAUFER, BIZZARRO, BOBACK, BURNS,  
CHARLTON, DAVIS, DiGIROLAMO, DUSH, HENNESSEY, HILL-EVANS,  
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RYAN, SAYLOR, SONNEY AND WARD, AUGUST 15, 2018

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
AUGUST 15, 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the work of Operation Smile.

2 WHEREAS, Operation Smile is an international medical charity  
3 that has provided thousands of free surgeries for children and  
4 young adults in developing countries; and

5 WHEREAS, Operation Smile was founded in 1982 when Dr. William  
6 P. Magee, Jr., a plastic surgeon, and his wife, Kathleen  
7 (Kathy), a nurse and clinical social worker, traveled to the  
8 Philippines with a group of medical volunteers to repair cleft  
9 lips and cleft palates; and

10 WHEREAS, The group was overwhelmed at the number of children  
11 who needed help, and, upon return to the United States, Dr.  
12 Magee and his wife began soliciting donations of surgical  
13 equipment and supplies from manufacturers, threw themselves into  
14 grassroots fundraising and assembled a volunteer team of 18  
15 doctors, nurses and technicians for their own medical mission to

1 the Philippines; and

2 WHEREAS, Currently, Operation Smile travels to more than 60  
3 countries and is headquartered in Virginia Beach, Virginia; and

4 WHEREAS, The program focuses on providing life changing  
5 treatments and surgeries for cleft lips, cleft palates and other  
6 facial deformities; and

7 WHEREAS, For more than 35 years, the program has provided  
8 hope for thousands of children, young adults and adults;  
9 therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the work of  
11 Operation Smile.