

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY RAFFERTY, COSTA, MARTIN, LANGERHOLC, BREWSTER, GORDNER, EICHELBERGER, GREENLEAF, SCAVELLO, FONTANA, DINNIMAN, YAW, SABATINA, ARGALL, BROWNE, VOGEL, FOLMER, TARTAGLIONE, RESCHENTHALER, KILLION, YUDICHAK, BROOKS, MENSCH, SCHWANK, AUMENT, VULAKOVICH, HUTCHINSON, SCARNATI, WHITE, BARTOLOTTA AND WARD, APRIL 24, 2017

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of May 14 through 20, 2017, as "National  
2 Police Week" and designating May 8, 2017, as "Police  
3 Officers' Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, Since the beginning of law enforcement within this  
5 Commonwealth, hundreds of police officers have made the ultimate  
6 sacrifice while in the line of duty, including Police Officer  
7 Scott Leslie Bashioum, Canonsburg Borough Police Department and  
8 Trooper Landon E. Weaver, Pennsylvania State Police, who died in  
9 2016; and

10 WHEREAS, Patrolman Edward A. Wehe, III, Delaware County  
11 Courthouse and Park Police Department, died on November 5, 2013  
12 of a heart attack shortly after removing protestors from

13 Delaware County Prison who did not have the proper permits; and

14 WHEREAS, Police Officer Walter J. DeWitt, III, Philadelphia  
15 Police Department, died on June 5, 2015, during surgery from on-  
16 the-job health complications; and

1       WHEREAS, Across the United States, the week of May 14 through  
2 20, 2017, is being recognized as "National Police Week"; and

3       WHEREAS, The first "National Police Officers' Memorial Day"  
4 was held on May 15, 1982, following a proclamation signed by  
5 President John F. Kennedy on October 1, 1962; and

6       WHEREAS, The observance continues to be held annually in  
7 memory of those police officers who have made the ultimate  
8 sacrifice in the line of duty; therefore be it

9       RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the memory of the hundreds of  
10 police officers who have given their lives in the line of duty  
11 in this Commonwealth; and be it further

12       RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the week of May 14  
13 through 20, 2017, as "National Police Week" and designating May  
14 8, 2017, as "Police Officers' Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania.