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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY WAGNER, MARTIN, BARTOLOTTA, GREENLEAF, BROWNE,  
DINNIMAN, COSTA, BREWSTER, SCAVELLO, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY,  
VOGEL, HUTCHINSON, FOLMER, STREET, KILLION, VULAKOVICH,  
MENSCH, BAKER, BLAKE, YUDICHAK, AUMENT, HUGHES AND REGAN,  
APRIL 23, 2018

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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, APRIL 23, 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Dental  
2 Association.

3 WHEREAS, In July 1868, a convention of dentists was held at  
4 Lititz Springs, sparking the idea of forming a State dental  
5 society; and

6 WHEREAS, In December 1868, a convention of delegates met in  
7 Philadelphia to establish the Pennsylvania State Dental Society;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State Dental Society changed its  
10 name to the Pennsylvania Dental Association in 1958; and

11 WHEREAS, The purpose of the Pennsylvania Dental Association  
12 is to "serve the public, improve their health, promote the art  
13 and science of dentistry and represent the interests of its  
14 members and the people they serve"; and

15 WHEREAS, Members of the Pennsylvania Dental Association are  
16 dedicated to its mission to promote dental care for the public,

1 improve the availability of dental care for all residents of  
2 this Commonwealth, speak authoritatively and responsibly on  
3 behalf of the public to governmental bodies and educate the  
4 public about the prevention of oral disease and promote good  
5 oral health; and

6 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Dental Association members provide  
7 millions in donated care through programs that improve access to  
8 dental care in this Commonwealth, including MOM-n-PA, Donated  
9 Dental Services, Give Kids a Smile and "National Children's  
10 Dental Health Month"; and

11 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Dental Association strives to work  
12 with policymakers at the Federal, State and local levels to  
13 enact policies aimed at creating a strong and viable dental  
14 delivery system that improves access to quality dental care for  
15 all residents; and

16 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Dental Association is at the  
17 forefront of advocating for the adoption of best practices to  
18 ensure patient safety; and

19 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Dental Association is celebrating  
20 its 150th anniversary April 27 through 28, 2018, in Hershey, to  
21 raise awareness of the dental profession and the importance of  
22 oral health as integral to overall health and well-being;  
23 therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the Senate commemorate the 150th anniversary  
25 of the Pennsylvania Dental Association and commend its members  
26 for advocating for patients, providing quality oral health care  
27 to residents of this Commonwealth and strengthening the economy  
28 of our communities; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
30 the Pennsylvania Dental Association.