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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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DALEY, JUNE 25, 2019

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JUNE 25, 2019

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A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots in New  
2 York City.

3 WHEREAS, In the early morning hours of June 28, 1969, police  
4 led a raid at the Stonewall Inn, a popular gay bar located in  
5 the Greenwich Village neighborhood of New York City; and

6 WHEREAS, During the raid on the Stonewall Inn, its customers  
7 fought back in protest and were joined by crowds of local  
8 sympathizers outside the bar; and

9 WHEREAS, The uprising at the Stonewall Inn ignited a five-day  
10 series of protests; and

11 WHEREAS, Among the protesters were two transgender women of  
12 color, Marsha P. Johnson and Sylvia Rivera, who are considered  
13 pioneers of the LGBTQ movement; and

14 WHEREAS, The events of the morning of June 28, 1969, and the  
15 days that followed, galvanized political activism not only at

1 home in the United States but globally, and led to the formation  
2 of the first LGBTQ organizations, including the Gay Liberation  
3 Front, Human Rights Campaign, GLAAD and PFLAG; and

4 WHEREAS, In 2016, the Stonewall Inn and the surrounding area  
5 was designated a national monument in recognition of the site's  
6 significant contributions; therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commemorate the  
8 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots in New York City.