## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

## A RESOLUTION

- Designating October 10, 2019, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The number of highway deaths on Pennsylvania roads
- 4 totaled 1,190 in 2018, the third lowest number since
- 5 recordkeeping began in 1928; and
- 6 WHEREAS, There are many controllable causes of traffic
- 7 fatalities, including excessive speed, use of alcohol and drugs,
- 8 inexperience, carelessness and distracted driving; and
- 9 WHEREAS, On October 10, the National Society of Professional
- 10 Engineers, the National Academy of Forensic Engineers, the
- 11 Institute of Transportation Engineers Expert Witness Council and
- 12 a coalition of government agencies are teaming up to focus
- 13 national public awareness on the cause of traffic fatalities and
- 14 the need to reduce the number of traffic fatalities; and
- 15 WHEREAS, For "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day," all drivers
- 16 should take an extra measure of care to ensure the safety of

- 1 themselves and others by:
- 2 (1) driving courteously and defensively;
- 3 (2) knowing the rules of the road for their method of
- 4 transportation and obeying all traffic laws;
- 5 (3) wearing protective gear, seat belts or helmets;
- 6 (4) avoiding speeding or driving while impaired or
- 7 driving aggressively; and
- 8 (5) avoiding talking or text messaging on cell phones
- 9 while driving;
- 10 therefore be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
- 12 10, 2019, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" in Pennsylvania.