

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 18 Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY K. WARD, CORMAN, BROWNE, SCHWANK, J. WARD,
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BROOKS, ARGALL, KANE, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, COLLETT,
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STEFANO, VOGEL, BAKER, GORDNER, TOMLINSON, SCAVELLO,
YUDICHAK, HUTCHINSON, COSTA AND DUSH, JANUARY 26, 2021

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, JANUARY 26, 2021

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and achievements of Representative Michael
2 "Mike" Reese.

3 WHEREAS, Representative Michael "Mike" Reese, who served as a
4 State Representative of the 59th district, passed away January
5 2, 2021, at 42 years of age; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Reese was born in Mount Pleasant Township,
7 Westmoreland County, on March 7, 1978; and

8 WHEREAS, After graduating from Mount Pleasant Area Junior-
9 Senior High School, he attended Duquesne University and
10 graduated with a bachelor's degree in secondary education with a
11 concentration in history; and

12 WHEREAS, In 2004, he earned a master's degree in business
13 administration from Seton Hill University; and

14 WHEREAS, Prior to his successful bid to become a State
15 Representative, he used his strong education and business
16 background and worked in admissions at the University of

1 Pittsburgh at Greensburg and was a teacher and counselor at
2 Pressley Ridge School, a nonprofit organization that offers
3 services to children and families facing difficult
4 circumstances; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Reese also worked as an adjunct faculty member
6 at Westmoreland County Community College, chief of staff for
7 Westmoreland County commissioners Terry Marolt and Phil Light,
8 and was assistant director of financial administration for
9 Westmoreland County; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Reese was first elected to the Pennsylvania
11 House of Representatives in 2008, taking office in the 2009-2010
12 session; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Reese had numerous accomplishments and worked
14 tirelessly on behalf of his constituents; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Reese was selected by his Republican colleagues
16 in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives to serve as caucus
17 secretary in the 2019-2020 session and was recently elected to
18 serve as caucus chairman in the 2020-2021 session; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Reese was a model legislator and his spirit,
20 knowledge and presence will be missed; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Reese is survived by his wife Angela and three
22 children: Addison, Claire and Michael Eric; therefore be it

23 RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and achievements of
24 Representative Michael "Mike" Reese.