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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 33rd anniversary of the reunification of  
2 Germany.

3 WHEREAS, For 45 years, the Iron Curtain split Germany into  
4 the free West and the Communist East; and

5 WHEREAS, Following the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 and  
6 with support of the United States and many other nations, West  
7 German Chancellor Helmut Kohl called for the reunification of  
8 Germany; and

9 WHEREAS, On October 3, 1990, the German Democratic Republic  
10 was incorporated into the Federal Republic of Germany; and

11 WHEREAS, Today, the United States and Germany share a close  
12 and strong alliance based on friendship, respect, common  
13 interests and values; and

14 WHEREAS, Approximately 40 million Americans trace their  
15 family history to Germany; and

16 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is the state with the largest  
17 population of German Americans in the United States, with 3.5  
18 million people of German ancestry; therefore be it

1       RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the 33rd anniversary of  
2 the reunification of Germany; and be it further

3       RESOLVED, That the Senate join with the citizens of the  
4 Federal Republic of Germany as they celebrate their "Tag der  
5 Deutschen Einheit" on October 3, 2023.