

## A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of March 2014 as "Greek-American Heritage  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania and recognizing the constructive role  
3 Greek Americans continue to play in the economic and cultural  
4 development of our nation and this Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, The 2010 census identified more than 1,300,000  
6 people of Greek ancestry in the United States; and

7 WHEREAS, Greek Americans remain proud of their heritage by  
8 passing their traditions and loyalty to the United States on to  
9 new generations of Greek Americans; and

10 WHEREAS, Greek Independence Day is a national holiday that  
11 commemorates the start of the War of Greek Independence in 1821  
12 and is celebrated annually in Greece on March 25; and

13 WHEREAS, In 1821, the Greek Commander-in-Chief Petros  
14 Mavromichalis, a founder of the modern Greek state, remarked to  
15 citizens of the United States that "it is in your land that  
16 liberty has fixed her abode and . . . in imitating you, we shall  
17 imitate our ancestors and be thought worthy of them if we  
18 succeed in resembling you"; and

1 the United States and the ideals of our founding fathers;  
2 therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
4 month of March 2014 as "Greek-American Heritage Month" in  
5 Pennsylvania; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all  
7 citizens to recognize the constructive role Greek Americans  
8 continue to play in the economic and cultural development of our  
9 nation and this Commonwealth.