LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating May 12, 2017, as "Military Spouse Appreciation Day"
- in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, In 1969, the Military Wives Association was formed
- 4 by a small group of wives and widows who gathered to voice their
- 5 concerns about inadequate support for military families who had
- 6 lost loved ones; and
- 7 WHEREAS, In 1984, "Military Spouse Appreciation Day" was
- 8 first celebrated when President Ronald Reagan proclaimed the
- 9 observance to honor the contributions of military spouses; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Military spouses embody the courage, sense of duty
- 11 and love of country that inspire every American; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Military spouses make tremendous sacrifices,
- 13 including enduring long separations, assuming household
- 14 responsibilities and caring for children while their loved ones
- 15 are away; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Military spouses act with patience, selflessness and
- 17 compassion while serving as the front line of this country's

- 1 conscience to ensure the appropriate care of soldiers returning
- 2 from duty with serious conditions, including traumatic brain
- 3 injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder; and
- WHEREAS, Many military spouses are also volunteers in their
- 5 communities who serve the needs of other military families; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The nation benefits from the sacrifices of military
- 7 families and is inspired by their courage, strength and
- 8 leadership; and
- 9 WHEREAS, On "Military Spouse Appreciation Day" and throughout
- 10 the year, we honor the commitment military spouses have made to
- 11 their loved ones, our country and our freedom; therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 12,
- 13 2017, as "Military Spouse Appreciation Day" in Pennsylvania.