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## A RESOLUTION

Designating the month of March 2018 as "Irish American Heritage 1 Month" in Pennsylvania. 2 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2018, the Irish community in this 3 4 Commonwealth celebrates the occasion of the feast of the 5 glorious Apostle of Ireland, Saint Patrick; and 6 WHEREAS, The theme of the 2018 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Philadelphia is "Congratulations to the 2018 Grand Marshal: 7 8 Congratulations to the Ring of Honor for 2018"; and 9 WHEREAS, Fleeing political, religious and racial persecution in Ireland, Irish immigrants arrived on our shores penniless and 10 unwanted, yet filled with hope that the United States held a 11 12 future in which Irish immigrants and their families would enjoy the bountiful fruits of a nation founded upon the principles of 13 liberty and justice for all; and 14 15 WHEREAS, In every phase of our national history, Irish 16 Americans have been at the forefront of the political, economic, religious, social and artistic fields; and 17

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WHEREAS, Irish-American contributions to this Commonwealth
are immeasurable; therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania designate the month of March 2018 4 as "Irish American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania and extend 5 its felicitations and best wishes to the Irish community in this 6 7 Commonwealth on this momentous occasion; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to 8 Taoiseach Leo Varadkar T.D., Department of the Taoiseach, 9 10 Government Buildings, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin 2, Ireland, D02 R583, and to President William P. Ivers, St. Patrick's Day 11 Observance Association, P.O. Box 40744, Philadelphia, 12 13 Pennsylvania 19107.