

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

RESOLUTION

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| As Committed-Amended | |
| Recommendation | |
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| By Hon. _____ | |

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 13, 2019, as "K9 Veterans and Services Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Throughout the history of this Commonwealth and the
4 nation, thousands of dogs and their handlers, trainers and other
5 helpers have served in the military, law enforcement and various
6 other capacities with honor, dignity and valor to protect life,
7 liberty and property; and

8 WHEREAS, The official United States K9 Corps was created on
9 March 13, 1942, for service in World War II and beyond; and

10 WHEREAS, Joseph J. White, a retired military working dog
11 handler, established "K9 Veterans Day," an annual day of
12 recognition on March 13 to raise awareness throughout the
13 country of the important services dogs and their handlers,
14 trainers and other helpers provide in the military, law
15 enforcement and various other capacities; and

16 WHEREAS, Many residents of this Commonwealth participate in
17 working dog training and operational activities to protect lives

1 and property; and

2 WHEREAS, Dogs and their handlers, trainers and other helpers
3 are involved in customs, search and rescue, border patrol,
4 police services, Secret Service and drug enforcement and serve
5 in many other capacities, all of which deserve recognition; and

6 WHEREAS, Military working dogs save and protect our way of
7 life in this Commonwealth and the nation through their role in
8 the war on terror and other military conflicts; and

9 WHEREAS, The military, law enforcement and many other
10 government agencies and groups recognize working dogs as being
11 loyal, loving and devoted; and

12 WHEREAS, Working dogs are known for placing themselves in
13 harm's way to protect their handlers, trainers and other
14 helpers; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate March
16 13, 2019, as "K9 Veterans and Services Day" in Pennsylvania to
17 acknowledge, support and express gratitude for the laudable
18 services provided by working dogs and their handlers, trainers
19 and other helpers; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge all
21 government agencies and other groups that use working dogs to
22 make efforts on March 13, 2019, to recognize and appreciate the
23 protection and assistance working dogs provide to this
24 Commonwealth and the nation.