

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 10, 2020, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities
2 Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The number of highway deaths on Pennsylvania roads
4 totaled 1,059 in 2019, the lowest number since recordkeeping
5 began in 1928; and

6 WHEREAS, There are many controllable causes of traffic
7 fatalities, including excessive speed, use of alcohol and drugs,
8 inexperience, carelessness and distracted driving; and

9 WHEREAS, The National Society of Professional Engineers, the
10 National Academy of Forensic Engineers, the Institute of
11 Transportation Engineers Expert Witness Council and a coalition
12 of government agencies have teamed up to focus national public
13 awareness on October 10, 2020, on the cause of traffic
14 fatalities and the need to reduce the number of traffic
15 fatalities; and

16 WHEREAS, On "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day," all drivers
17 should take an extra measure of care to ensure the safety of

1 themselves and others by:

2 (1) driving courteously and defensively;

3 (2) knowing the rules of the road for their method of
4 transportation and obeying all traffic laws;

5 (3) wearing protective gear, seat belts or helmets;

6 (4) avoiding speeding or driving while impaired or
7 driving aggressively; and

8 (5) avoiding talking or text messaging on cell phones
9 while driving;

10 therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
12 10, 2020, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" in Pennsylvania.