THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1624

Session of 1985

INTRODUCED BY PICCOLA, SEPTEMBER 18, 1985

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 18, 1985

AN ACT

Declaring and adopting the song "A Man Can be Proud," lyrics and 2 music by Margarite Romagna as the State song of the 3 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 5 6 Section 1. Official State song. 7 The song "A Man Can be Proud," lyrics and music by Margarite 8 Romagna, is hereby adopted as the State song of Pennsylvania and 9 shall be the official song for all public purposes. The lyrics are as follows: 10 11 A Man Can Be Proud From the Allegheny Mountains 12 13 down to Philadelphy, 14 There's a glory and a beauty 15 in Pennsylvania you can see. 16 In the forests and the pastures and the rivers rushing by, 17

The greenness of the mountains,

- 1 the blueness of her sky.
- 2 From the strength of her steel mills
- 3 to her gentle growing corn,
- 4 A man can be proud
- 5 who is Pennsylvania born.
- 6 Men have hunted in her forests,
- 7 fished her flowing streams,
- 8 Men have lived their lives in fullness
- 9 fulfilling all their dreams.
- 10 Brave battles fought at Valley Forge
- 11 helped freedom ring a bell,
- 12 And battles fought at Gettysburg
- 13 equality would tell.
- 14 Pennsylvania builds ships
- to sail the seven seas,
- 16 Grows food across her land
- 17 the nations to please.
- 18 And I can say I'm proud,
- 19 I'm Pennsylvania born,
- 20 An I'll awake to see her sunrise
- 21 when I arise tomorrow morn.
- 22 Section 2. Effective date.
- 23 This act shall take effect immediately.