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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 Encouraging citizens of this Commonwealth to light candles on  
2 September 11, 2002, at the time of the first attack on  
3 September 11, 2001.

4 WHEREAS, On the morning of September 11, 2001, we Americans  
5 suffered our saddest hour when heinous and barbaric acts of  
6 terrorism were committed against our homeland; and

7 WHEREAS, Reprehensible and despicable acts were committed in  
8 New York City, where two planes crashed into the World Trade  
9 Center towers, one at 8:45 a.m. and one at 9:03 a.m., and in the  
10 vicinity of our nation's capital, where a plane crashed into the  
11 Pentagon at 9:43 a.m.; and

12 WHEREAS, Shortly after these attacks, in western Pennsylvania  
13 the passengers of a fourth plane committed the ultimate act of  
14 selflessness and patriotism when they deliberately crashed their  
15 aircraft to prevent a similar attack and minimize further

1 tragedy and loss of life; and

2 WHEREAS, In the wake of the September 11 attacks, we  
3 Pennsylvanians came to the aid of our neighbors in New York City  
4 and Washington, D.C., as countless volunteers donated their  
5 time, skills, money, talents, services and blood; and

6 WHEREAS, Members of Pennsylvania Task Force One went forth  
7 proudly and expeditiously to assist firefighters and other  
8 rescue workers in New York City in the vigilant and tireless  
9 rescue and recovery efforts at the World Trade Center site; and

10 WHEREAS, The lives of at least 3,000 of America's sons and  
11 daughters and citizens from many other nations were taken in the  
12 brutal attacks on September 11, 2001; and

13 WHEREAS, It is appropriate that we Pennsylvanians show our  
14 appreciation for all who came to the aid of our nation in the  
15 wake of these attacks and mourn the loss of so many people;  
16 therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Senate urge all citizens of this  
18 Commonwealth to light a Candle for Freedom at 8:45 a.m. on  
19 September 11, 2002; be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the Senate hopes that at least 3,000 candles  
21 are lit in remembrance of those who lost their lives on  
22 September 11, 2001, and in strength, unity and support for a  
23 great nation which is stronger and more proud than ever.