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MARCH 11, 2003

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 15, 2003, as "American Hungarian Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The east central European country of Hungary
4 celebrates its national Independence Day on March 15; and

5 WHEREAS, Hungarians and American Hungarians have many reasons
6 to celebrate their heritage, culture and independence from
7 Austria on March 15, 1848; and

8 WHEREAS, There are more than 730,000 American Hungarians in
9 the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, Hungarian immigrants came to the United States to
11 experience freedom and seize the opportunity for a new life; and

12 WHEREAS, People of Hungarian descent have contributed greatly
13 to the world, the United States and this Commonwealth; and

14 WHEREAS, People of Hungarian descent have demonstrated

1 exceptional skills in science, medicine, music and the arts; and

2 WHEREAS, American Hungarians include St. Louis Post-Dispatch
3 publisher Joseph Pulitzer, Paramount Studios founder Adolph
4 Zukor, conductors Antal Dorati, George Solti and George Szell,
5 actors Zsa Zsa Gabor, Mariska Hargitay, Tony Curtis, Peter Lorre
6 and Bela Lugosi, comedian Ernie Kovacs, jazz guitarist Gabor
7 Szabo, football heroes Joe Namath, Larry Csonka and Don Shula,
8 and financier Andrew Sarlos and philanthropist George Soros; and

9 WHEREAS, More than half a dozen Hungarians have won Nobel
10 Prizes; and

11 WHEREAS, The Hungarian community has earned recognition for
12 its strong work ethic, record of achievements and contributions
13 to the development of the United States; and

14 WHEREAS, All Pennsylvanians are grateful for the many
15 contributions of Hungary and Hungarian citizens, here and
16 abroad, to our Commonwealth; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate March
18 15, 2003, as "American Hungarian Day" in Pennsylvania.