## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 837

Session of 2010

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 4, 2010

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life of George W. Mullen, former Veterans of
- 2 Foreign Wars State Adjutant, and extending condolences to his
- 3 family.
- 4 WHEREAS, George W. Mullen enlisted in the United States Navy
- 5 in 1943 and served aboard the merchant ships USS Ben Holt and
- 6 the USS Cotten in both the Atlantic and Pacific Theaters; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Mr. Mullen's military duty included serving off of
- 8 the Normandy coast helping to supply troops after D-Day, helping
- 9 to rescue a downed American pilot and supporting the invasion of
- 10 Okinawa; and
- 11 WHEREAS, After the atomic bombs were dropped in 1945, Mr.
- 12 Mullen's destroyer was part of the flotilla that entered Tokyo

- 1 Bay to end the war against Japan; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Mullen ended his military service as a Seaman
- 3 1st Class in 1946 and spent the next two years in a veterans'
- 4 hospital recovering from tuberculosis; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) since
- 6 1946, Mr. Mullen served the organization at all levels, earning
- 7 the distinction of All State District Commander and All American
- 8 District Commander; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Mullen served as State Adjutant of the
- 10 Department of Pennsylvania VFW under 17 department commanders
- 11 until he retired in 1995 and during a second term from 2000 to
- 12 2005; and
- 13 WHEREAS, As State Adjutant, Mr. Mullen served on the
- 14 Pennsylvania War Veterans' Advisory Council and Pennsylvania
- 15 State Veterans' Commission and was well known as a strong
- 16 advocate for health care and other benefits for veterans; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Mullen was recognized by the VFW for his
- 18 outstanding leadership in guiding the country's largest State
- 19 VFW unit; therefore be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the life of
- 21 George W. Mullen and extend condolences to his family; and be it
- 22 further
- 23 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
- 24 George Mullen's wife, Dawn Mullen, P.O. Box 53, Parkesburg, PA
- 25 19365.