

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 201 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY VULAKOVICH, STERN, D. COSTA, CAUSER, GILLEN, HACKETT, VEREB, HUTCHINSON, KILLION, MOUL, AUMENT, BAKER, BARRAR, BOBACK, BOYD, B. BOYLE, BRADFORD, BROOKS, CLYMER, CREIGHTON, CUTLER, DIGIROLAMO, EMRICK, EVERETT, FABRIZIO, FLECK, FREEMAN, GABLER, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GRELL, GROVE, HAHN, HARHART, HEFFLEY, HENNESSEY, HESS, HICKERNELL, HORNAMAN, KAUFFMAN, KAVULICH, W. KELLER, KIRKLAND, KNOWLES, LONGIETTI, MAHER, MAJOR, MARSHALL, MARSICO, MATZIE, MICOZZIE, MILLARD, MILLER, MIRABITO, MULLERY, MURT, OBERLANDER, O'NEILL, PASHINSKI, PAYNE, QUINN, RAVENSTAHL, READSHAW, REED, REICHLEY, ROAE, ROCK, SABATINA, SACCONI, SAINATO, SANTARSIERO, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, M. SMITH, SONNEY, SWANGER, TALLMAN, TOEPEL, WAGNER AND WATSON, APRIL 11, 2011

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 11, 2011

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the memory of law enforcement officers who gave their  
 2 lives in the line of duty in this Commonwealth and  
 3 recognizing the memorial service in their honor in Soldiers'  
 4 Grove at the State Capitol Complex on May 2, 2011.

5 WHEREAS, The following law enforcement officers have made the  
 6 ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty on the following dates:

7 Trooper Paul G. Richey, Pennsylvania State Police, January 13,  
 8 2010; Corporal Christopher Milito, Delaware River Port Authority  
 9 Police Department, January 16, 2010; Wildlife Conservation  
 10 Officer David Lynn Grove, Pennsylvania Game Commission, November  
 11 11, 2010; and

12 WHEREAS, The deaths of these law enforcement officers make a  
 13 total of 722 officers who, through the year 2010, made the

1 ultimate sacrifice since the beginning of law enforcement within  
2 this Commonwealth; and

3 WHEREAS, A Venango County constable who died in April 1825 is  
4 believed to be the first officer to have given his life in the  
5 line of duty in this Commonwealth; and

6 WHEREAS, "National Police Memorial Day" is held on May 15  
7 each year; and

8 WHEREAS, The week containing May 15 is celebrated each year  
9 as "National Police Week"; and

10 WHEREAS, On October 1, 1962, Joint Resolution 730 of the 87th  
11 Congress of the United States was signed, authorizing the  
12 President to proclaim May 15 of each year as "Peace Officers  
13 Memorial Day"; and

14 WHEREAS, Twenty years passed before the first "National  
15 Police Memorial Day" was recognized on May 15, 1982; and

16 WHEREAS, May 15 has continued to be observed annually in  
17 memory of those police officers who made the ultimate sacrifice  
18 in the line of duty; and

19 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State Lodge of the Fraternal Order  
20 of Police presents the annual memorial service in this  
21 Commonwealth; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the  
23 memories of the following law enforcement officers who gave  
24 their lives in the line of duty in this Commonwealth in 2010:  
25 Trooper Paul G. Richey, Corporal Christopher Milito and Wildlife  
26 Conservation Officer David Lynn Grove; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
28 memorial service in their honor in Soldiers' Grove at the State  
29 Capitol Complex on May 2, 2011.