

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 577 Session of 2012

INTRODUCED BY B. BOYLE, K. BOYLE, McGEEHAN, MURPHY, BISHOP, BRENNAN, V. BROWN, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, CLYMER, D. COSTA, P. COSTA, DAVIS, DAVIDSON, DAY, DEASY, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, DiGIROLAMO, EVERETT, GEIST, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, HAHN, HARHART, HARPER, JOSEPHS, W. KELLER, KILLION, KIRKLAND, KORTZ, KOTIK, LONGIETTI, MAHONEY, MALONEY, MANN, MARSHALL, MARSICO, MILLARD, MIRABITO, MOUL, MULLERY, OBERLANDER, M. O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, PASHINSKI, PYLE, QUIGLEY, QUINN, RAVENSTAHL, READSHAW, ROCK, ROEBUCK, ROSS, SAINATO, SANTARSIERO, SANTONI, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, M. SMITH, SONNEY, STABACK, SWANGER, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD AND DALEY, FEBRUARY 15, 2012

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, FEBRUARY 15, 2012

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating March 2012 as "Irish-American Heritage Month" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2012, the Irish community in this
4 Commonwealth will celebrate the occasion of the feast of the
5 glorious Apostle of Ireland, Saint Patrick; and

6 WHEREAS, "St. Patrick, bless the American worker" is the
7 theme of the 2012 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Philadelphia; and

8 WHEREAS, Fleeing political, religious and racial persecution
9 in their homeland, Irish immigrants arrived on our shores
10 penniless and unwanted, yet filled with hope that America held a
11 future in which they and their children would enjoy the
12 bountiful fruits of a nation founded upon the principles of

1 liberty and justice for all; and

2 WHEREAS, In every phase of our national history, Irish
3 Americans have taken their place at the forefront in the
4 political, economic, religious, social and artistic fields; and

5 WHEREAS, Their contribution to the good and welfare of this
6 Commonwealth is immeasurable and unflinching; therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare March
8 2012 as "Irish-American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania and
9 extend its felicitations and best wishes to the Irish community
10 in this Commonwealth on this momentous occasion; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the
13 Taoiseach, Enda Kenny T.D., Department of Taoiseach, Government
14 Buildings, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin 2, Ireland and Kathleen
15 McGee Burns, St. Patrick's Day Observance Association, P.O. Box
16 32158, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19146.