THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 697

Session of 2012

INTRODUCED BY BARRAR, SAINATO, BAKER, BOBACK, BOYD, BRENNAN, CAUSER, CLYMER, D. COSTA, DiGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FABRIZIO, FLECK, GABLER, GEIST, GEORGE, HARHART, HESS, HICKERNELL, HORNAMAN, HUTCHINSON, KAUFFMAN, KORTZ, KULA, MAJOR, MARSHALL, MARSICO, MICCARELLI, MILLARD, MILLER, MOUL, O'NEILL, PASHINSKI, READSHAW, ROCK, SCAVELLO, SONNEY, STERN, SWANGER, TALLMAN, VEREB, VULAKOVICH AND WATSON, APRIL 30, 2012

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 30, 2012

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating May 1, 2012, as "Loyalty Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 2 WHEREAS, The Department of Pennsylvania, Veterans of Foreign
- 3 Wars of the United States, is conducting its annual "Loyalty
- 4 Day" program on the grounds of the State Capitol on May 1, 2012;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, In 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the
- 7 act of July 18, 1958 (Public Law 85-529, 72 Stat. 369), which
- 8 designates the first day in May of each year as "Loyalty Day";
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, "Loyalty Day" is set aside as a special day for
- 11 reaffirming loyalty to the United States and recognizing
- 12 American freedom; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The President of the United States annually issues a
- 14 proclamation calling on officials to proudly display the flag of

- 1 the United States on all government buildings on this special
- 2 day; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Citizens and elected officials are encouraged to
- 4 observe "Loyalty Day" in schools and other appropriate places;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, In the post-9/11 world, it is fitting that the
- 7 citizens of this Commonwealth pause on "Loyalty Day" to reflect
- 8 on the privileges of freedom, democracy and unmatched
- 9 opportunity that we enjoy in the United States; therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 1,
- 11 2012, as "Loyalty Day" in Pennsylvania, proudly joining the
- 12 Department of Pennsylvania, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the
- 13 United States, in its observance and commending the department
- 14 for its continued service to our nation and this Commonwealth;
- 15 and be it further
- 16 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
- 17 Pennsylvania State Veterans of Foreign Wars Commander Larry N.
- 18 Reece on May 1, 2012, at the "Loyalty Day" program conducted by
- 19 the Department of Pennsylvania, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the
- 20 United States, on the grounds of the State Capitol.