THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating September 11, 2011, as "Pennsylvania's Day of Remembrance" of the events of September 11, 2001.
3	WHEREAS, There can be no greater tragedy than the intentional
4	taking of innocent lives; and
5	WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, Al Qaeda terrorists hijacked
6	and intentionally flew two planes into the twin towers of the
7	World Trade Center in Manhattan and hijacked and crashed a third
8	aircraft into the United States Department of Defense
9	headquarters at the Pentagon in Arlington County, Virginia; and
10	WHEREAS, The first battle of the War on Terrorism took place
11	in the skies over Somerset County, Pennsylvania, and was
12	ultimately won by the heroism of the passengers and crew aboard
13	United Airlines Flight 93 who courageously fought to regain
14	control of the plane and prevented additional death and
15	destruction; and
16	WHEREAS, These attacks claimed nearly 3,000 innocent lives,

1 becoming the most devastating attack on American soil in our 2 229-year history; and

3 WHEREAS, Many individuals unselfishly gave their lives in 4 unyielding courage and sacrifice with the passengers' and crew's 5 resistance that occurred on United Airlines Flight 93 in 6 Somerset County, Pennsylvania; and

7 WHEREAS, Their acts of courage and sacrifice for our country 8 are worthy of acknowledgment and commendation, and they shall remain in our hearts and minds forever, their remembrance 9 10 continuing to be passed on to future generations; and 11 WHEREAS, In the ten years since the attacks, our nation has come together in support and remembrance of those who lost their 12 lives in the attacks, including those who lost their lives in 13 14 responding to assist those in harm's way; and

15 WHEREAS, This September the dedication is scheduled for the 16 Flight 93 Memorial in Somerset County, which is the result of a ground swell of financial support from average Americans; and 17 18 WHEREAS, September 11, 2011, marks the tenth anniversary of 19 the attacks, which should never be forgotten; therefore be it 20 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate September 11, 2011, as "Pennsylvania's Day of Remembrance" in honor of those persons 21 22 who lost their lives in the September 11, 2001, attacks, those 23 individuals directly affected by the tragedy of the attacks and 24 those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country fighting the war on terrorism; and be it further 25

RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage all schools, public offices and businesses to pause in a moment of silence to reflect upon the tragedy and the sacrifices made on September 11, 2001, and to further remember the families of those persons who perished and all of our fellow citizens affected by this

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