

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, JUNE 18, 2012

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of former State Senator Thomas J. Kalman and  
2 extending condolences to his family.

3 WHEREAS, Thomas J. Kalman, husband, father and grandfather,  
4 military hero, accomplished businessman, public servant and  
5 philanthropist, passed away peacefully on June 9, 2012; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman was born December 21, 1917, in  
7 Perryopolis; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman was a graduate of the University of Notre  
9 Dame, Class of 1939, the University of Pennsylvania School of  
10 Law, the Officers War College in Norfolk, Virginia, and the  
11 Naval War College in Rhode Island; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman served his country proudly as a Navy  
13 officer in World War II, participating in the invasions of  
14 Sicily and Northern Africa and also serving in the Western Sea  
15 Frontier; and

1       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman retired as a Senior Captain and remained  
2 active in military affairs as a member of the Retired Officers  
3 Association and in the following organizations: the Knights of  
4 Columbus, The American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and  
5 the Catholic War Veterans; and

6       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman established a law firm in Uniontown and  
7 was a practicing attorney and member of the Pennsylvania Bar  
8 Association for more than 60 years; and

9       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman established and supported numerous  
10 successful businesses; and

11       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman served in the Pennsylvania State  
12 Legislature as Senator from 1957 to 1970 and as Chief Clerk of  
13 the Senate from 1971 to 1980; and

14       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman was appointed by former President Ford  
15 and former President Carter to serve on presidential advisory  
16 commissions; and

17       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman was active in the Catholic Church; and

18       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman served as a board member at the Institute  
19 for Church Life at the University of Notre Dame; and

20       WHEREAS, In 2007, Mr. Kalman received the distinguished honor  
21 of being inducted as a Knight of the Equestrian Order of the  
22 Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem, the only lay institution of the  
23 Vatican State charged with the task of providing for the needs  
24 of the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem and for all the  
25 activities and initiatives which are necessary to support the  
26 Christian presence in the Holy Land; and

27       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman spent his last years surrounded by those  
28 he loved and those who loved him, enjoying a Notre Dame football  
29 game on an autumn afternoon, a good meal with beloved friends  
30 and joyful family gatherings; and

1       WHEREAS, Mr. Kalman is survived by his loving and devoted  
2 wife, Donna Forrai Kalman; his cherished daughters, Mary Ann  
3 Kalman of Uniontown and Maureen Volker and her husband Michael  
4 of Collegeville; his sister, Mary Catherine Griglak and her  
5 husband Laddie; his stepsons, James Forrai and his wife Kristy,  
6 Edward Forrai and his wife Sonya and Steven Forrai and his wife  
7 Julie; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and  
8 nieces and nephews; therefore be it

9       RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life of former Senator  
10 Thomas J. Kalman, express its sadness upon the passing of its  
11 former colleague and offer its condolences to his wife,  
12 children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and nieces and  
13 nephews; and be it further

14       RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
15 his widow, Donna Kalman.