

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 833 Session of 2014

INTRODUCED BY BARBIN, READSHAW, HARHART, HENNESSEY, CALTAGIRONE, SNYDER, LONGIETTI, YOUNGBLOOD, SONNEY, KIRKLAND, ROZZI, SAINATO, MIRABITO, ENGLISH, PAINTER, LUCAS, O'NEILL, COHEN, BARRAR, BAKER, DAVIS, SCHLEGEL CULVER, MILLARD, TOEPEL, DIGIROLAMO, KINSEY, STERN, PASHINSKI, V. BROWN, MATZIE, BURNS, PICKETT, MICOZZIE, P. DALEY, DeLUCA, D. COSTA, TALLMAN, FARINA, COX, THOMAS, SACCONI, SANKEY, BROOKS, ROSS, GODSHALL, KILLION, SCHLOSSBERG, MCGEEHAN, REGAN, KAVULICH, GOODMAN, C. HARRIS, MAJOR, FLECK, BIZZARRO, MENTZER, MARSICO, MCCARTER, DONATUCCI, KORTZ, DENLINGER, EVERETT, MILNE, GRELL, MCNEILL, DEASY, GABLER, CLYMER, R. BROWN, OBERLANDER, WATSON, MURT, CLAY, VEREB, FRANKEL, ROCK, BRADFORD AND GILLEN, MAY 1, 2014

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MAY 1, 2014

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 9, 2014, as "Military Spouse Appreciation Day"
2 in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, In 1969, the Military Wives Association was formed
4 by a small group of wives and widows who gathered to voice their
5 concerns about inadequate support for military families who had
6 lost loved ones; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1984, Military Spouse Appreciation Day was first
8 celebrated when President Ronald Reagan proclaimed the
9 observance to honor the contributions of military spouses; and

10 WHEREAS, Military spouses embody the courage, sense of duty
11 and love of country that inspire every American; and

12 WHEREAS, Military spouses make tremendous sacrifices,

1 including enduring long separations, assuming household
2 responsibilities and caring for children while their loved ones
3 are away; and

4 WHEREAS, Military spouses act with patience, selflessness and
5 compassion while serving as the front line of this country's
6 conscience to ensure the appropriate care of soldiers returning
7 from duty with serious conditions, including traumatic brain
8 injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder; and

9 WHEREAS, Many military spouses are also volunteers in their
10 communities who serve the needs of other military families; and

11 WHEREAS, The nation benefits from the sacrifices of military
12 families, and is inspired by their courage, strength and
13 leadership; and

14 WHEREAS, On Military Spouses Appreciation Day and throughout
15 the year, we honor the commitment military spouses have made to
16 their loved ones, our country and freedom; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 9,
18 2014, as "Military Spouse Appreciation Day" in Pennsylvania.