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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Just Born, Inc., on the occasion of the 60th
- 2 anniversary of Marshmallow Peeps.
- 3 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has a rich history
- 4 of manufacturing companies that are innovators in their
- 5 respective fields; and
- 6 WHEREAS, In 1917, Sam Born opened a retail candy shop in
- 7 Brooklyn, New York, displaying in his store window candy made
- 8 daily and marketing its freshness with a sign that declared
- 9 "just born"; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In 1932, Just Born moved its operations to an empty
- 11 printing factory in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In 1953, Just Born made the first Marshmallow Peep,
- 13 the three-dimensional marshmallow product, by hand-squeezing
- 14 marshmallow through a pastry tube; and
- 15 WHEREAS, It once took 27 hours to create one Marshmallow
- 16 Peep, but today it takes six minutes; and

- 1 WHEREAS, In 1954, Just Born mechanized the Marshmallow Peeps
- 2 forming press and became the world's largest manufacturer of
- 3 novelty marshmallow candy; and
- 4 WHEREAS, In the 1960s, Just Born introduced Seasonal Peeps,
- 5 trees and snowmen for the holiday season and pumpkins and cats
- 6 for Halloween; and
- WHEREAS, In the 1980s, as the demand for Just Born's
- 8 Marshmallow Peeps increased, so did the size, as Peeps Giant
- 9 Bunnies became available; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In 1995, lavender became the fourth color for the
- 11 Marshmallow Peeps, following yellow, pink and white; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In 1998, Just Born turned 75 and blue became the
- 13 newest Marshmallow Peeps color; and
- 14 WHEREAS, In 1999, the first flavored Marshmallow Peeps,
- 15 Vanilla Creme Eggs, were introduced, Peeps jellybeans hit
- 16 shelves and Peeps launched a nationwide television advertising
- 17 campaign, an Internet website and the Peeps Fan Club; and
- 18 WHEREAS, In 2002, Marshmallow Peeps Stars and Cocoa Bats, the
- 19 first-ever cocoa-flavored Marshmallow Peeps, became available;
- 20 and
- 21 WHEREAS, In 2009, Peeps & Company, Just Born's first retail
- 22 store, opened in National Harbor, Maryland; and
- 23 WHEREAS, In 2010, chocolate-dipped and chocolate-covered
- 24 Peeps Chicks were introduced for Easter; and
- 25 WHEREAS, In 2011, Peeps & Company opened its second retail
- 26 store in Minnesota at Mall of America and launched its new
- 27 online store featuring candy and merchandise from their
- 28 signature candy brands; and
- 29 WHEREAS, In 2012, Peeps & Company opened the doors to its
- 30 much-anticipated store in Bethlehem, located at The Outlets at

- 1 Sands Bethlehem; and
- 2 WHEREAS, For Easter 2013, Just Born is introducing a new
- 3 Peeps Giant Bunny donning a green bow tie and holding a carrot
- 4 and is also introducing a yellow Peeps Chick nestled inside a
- 5 premium chocolate egg; and
- 6 WHEREAS, In 2013, Marshmallow Peeps celebrates its 60th
- 7 anniversary with a year full of festivities, including a
- 8 television commercial campaign and promotions on the Internet
- 9 website; therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the accomplishments of
- 11 Just Born, Inc., on the 60th anniversary of Marshmallow Peeps.