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## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing the good relationship between Pennsylvania and the Republic of Turkey.
WHEREAS, The Republic of Turkey has the world's 15th largest
economy and Europe's sixth largest economy, is a valued trading
partner with the Commonwealth and is to be commended on its
contributions to the global economy and its diplomatic
initiatives; and
WHEREAS, During the Great Hunger, commonly known as the Irish
Potato Famine of the 1800s, the Ottoman Empire, now modern-day
Turkey, helped the Irish people by sending shipments of food and
supplies; and
WHEREAS, Turkey continues to exhibit goodwill and build
bridges internationally, including with the United States,
specifically with the Commonwealth; and
WHEREAS, The Commonwealth and the Republic of Turkey have
enjoyed a strong, vibrant and mutually beneficial economic
relationship with the prospect of further growth; and

1 WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the Commonwealth to further cultivate the good relationship between Pennsylvania and 2 the Republic of Turkey; and 3 4 WHEREAS, It is fitting to recognize the contributions of our 5 nation's allies and the value of maintaining beneficial relationships with those allies; therefore be it 6 7 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the longstanding 8 Pennsylvania-Republic of Turkey relations, build upon timehonored friendships and promote the cultural, educational, 9 10 academic, political and economic relations between Pennsylvania and Turkey; and be it further 11 12 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to 13 the Turkish Cultural Center of Pennsylvania, 274 W Main St.,

14 Leola, PA 17540.