
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 201 Session of
2013

INTRODUCED BY STACK, TOMLINSON, KASUNIC, GREENLEAF, FERLO,
SMITH, ERICKSON, VOGEL, DINNIMAN, BROWNE, FONTANA, COSTA,
SCHWANK, BOSCOLA, WASHINGTON, WHITE, PILEGGI, BLAKE,
VULAKOVICH, YUDICHAK, RAFFERTY, SOLOBAY, MENSCH, BRUBAKER AND
FARNESE, SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 6, 2013, as "Pulaski Memorial Day" in
2 Pennsylvania commemorating the 234th anniversary of his death
3 in 1779.

4 WHEREAS, General Casimir Pulaski was born March 6, 1745, in
5 Warsaw, Poland; and

6 WHEREAS, General Pulaski was a true patriot committed to the
7 defense of freedom and the sovereignty of nations; and

8 WHEREAS, General Pulaski, who fought against Russian,
9 Austrian and Prussian control of Poland, was forced to flee his
10 country for France, where he met and became a close friend of
11 the American representative and statesman Benjamin Franklin; and

12 WHEREAS, General Pulaski joined the Continental Army and
13 proved himself to be a brilliant tactician and leader; and

14 WHEREAS, General Pulaski's valiant skills and services to the
15 American Revolution brought him honor and acclaim; and

16 WHEREAS, Named General of the Cavalry on September 15, 1777,
17 General Pulaski earned the title of "Father of the American

1 Cavalry"; and

2 WHEREAS, General Pulaski commanded the cavalry in battles at
3 Brandywine and Germantown; and

4 WHEREAS, In May 1779 General Pulaski contributed to the
5 successful defense of Charleston, South Carolina, against a
6 larger British force, breaking British momentum and boosting the
7 morale of American troops; and

8 WHEREAS, In October 1779 General Pulaski led a charge behind
9 the French line of infantry to break the British defense in the
10 siege of Savannah, Georgia, where he was mortally wounded; and

11 WHEREAS, General Pulaski's lifework and ideals are a source
12 of strength and pride to Americans of Polish ancestry and
13 reflect the customs and culture of the Polish people; therefore
14 be it

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate October 6, 2013, as
16 "Pulaski Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania commemorating the 234th
17 anniversary of his death in 1779; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the Senate extend best wishes to the Polish
19 American community in Philadelphia on the 80th anniversary of
20 the Pulaski Day Parade.