
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 864 Session of
2015

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PICKETT, HARHART, ROEBUCK, MILNE AND McNEILL, MAY 3, 2016

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 3, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of May 2016 as "Older Pennsylvanians
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, May is traditionally recognized as "Older Americans
4 Month" in the United States, a month set aside to honor older
5 adults who are among the most treasured resources, who are
6 united by historical experiences and strengthened by diversity
7 and who interpret events through varied perspectives and
8 backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our communities; and

9 WHEREAS, The Department of Health and Human Services'
10 Administration on Aging has announced that the theme of "Older
11 Americans Month" 2016 is "Blaze A Trail"; and

12 WHEREAS, Older adults in this Commonwealth are continuing to
13 reinvent themselves through new work and new passions, engaging
14 their communities and blazing a trail of positive impact on the

1 lives of people of all ages; and

2 WHEREAS, Our community can provide opportunities to enrich
3 the lives of individuals of all ages by promoting and engaging
4 in: activity, wellness and social involvement; emphasizing home-
5 based and community-based services that support independent
6 living; and ensuring community members can benefit from the
7 contributions and experiences of older adults; and

8 WHEREAS, By taking control of their health and safety, older
9 Americans can live longer, healthier lives and continue to
10 contribute to our communities; and

11 WHEREAS, Increasing numbers of adults are reaching retirement
12 age and it is especially important to note that those who were
13 born in the first year of the baby-boom generation reached 65
14 years of age in 2011; and

15 WHEREAS, Older adults are productive, active and influential
16 members of society and share essential talents, wisdom, and life
17 experiences with their families, friends and neighbors; and

18 WHEREAS, Older adults deserve recognition for the
19 contributions they have made and will make to the culture,
20 economy and character of the United States and this
21 Commonwealth; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
23 month of May 2016 as "Older Pennsylvanians Month" in
24 Pennsylvania; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That every resident be urged to take time this
26 month to honor Pennsylvania's older adults and the
27 professionals, family members and volunteers who care for them.