
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 956 Session of
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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JULY 1, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating July 28, 2016, as "Hail to Pitt Day" in Pennsylvania
2 in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the University of
3 Pittsburgh becoming a State-related university.

4 WHEREAS, On July 28, 1966, Governor William W. Scranton
5 signed the bill establishing the University of Pittsburgh as a
6 State-related university; and

7 WHEREAS, The University of Pittsburgh's 34,826 students are
8 among Pennsylvania's best and brightest, coming from the top of
9 their classes, performing groundbreaking research and providing
10 thousands of hours of service to the community; and

11 WHEREAS, The University of Pittsburgh is a major economic
12 driver for this Commonwealth, employing more than 13,000 people,
13 supporting more than 33,800 jobs and generating a Statewide
14 economic impact of \$3.7 billion; and

15 WHEREAS, For each dollar invested in the University of
16 Pittsburgh, this Commonwealth receives a \$25 return on the
17 investment; and

18 WHEREAS, The University of Pittsburgh is a driving force of

1 innovation, generating 74 patents in 2014, launching 117
2 startups in the last 20 years and raising \$14 million for local
3 business in 2014; and

4 WHEREAS, The University of Pittsburgh is continually ranked
5 the top value among all Pennsylvania public colleges and
6 universities, named a "Best Value College" and lauded for its
7 contributions to the community; and

8 WHEREAS, Employees and students of the University of
9 Pittsburgh generate more than \$70 million annually in charitable
10 donations and volunteer services; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate July
12 28, 2016, as "Hail to Pitt Day" in Pennsylvania in recognition
13 of the 50th anniversary of the University of Pittsburgh becoming
14 a State-related institution; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
16 Pennsylvanians to acknowledge the immense value the University
17 of Pittsburgh and its faculty, staff, students and alumni bring
18 to this Commonwealth.