## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 1075 Session of 2015

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## A RESOLUTION

Encouraging Pennsylvanians to participate in Project Blue Light. 1 2 WHEREAS, Police officers throughout this Commonwealth and 3 nation routinely risk their lives to protect the public from threats from individuals or natural disasters; and 4 5 WHEREAS, Between 2010 and 2015, more than 800 police officers 6 have died and thousands more have suffered serious injuries in 7 the line of duty; and WHEREAS, As of July 31, 2016, 69 officers have died in the 8 9 line of duty across the country; and 10 WHEREAS, We, the residents of this Commonwealth, often fail 11 to express our gratitude for the work of our police officers and 12 appreciation of the risks they take to protect us; and 13 WHEREAS, The vast majority of police officers who perform their duties honestly and honorably are often forgotten when 14

attention focuses on the very few who at times do not; and
WHEREAS, The holiday season is a particularly dangerous time
for police officers; and

WHEREAS, Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S) adopted an 4 idea begun by the family of a Philadelphia police officer killed 5 in the line of duty to place a blue light in a window of their 6 home to honor the service of all police officers and remember 7 8 those officers who have died protecting their communities; and 9 WHEREAS, The C.O.P.S Project Blue Light was established to encourage all citizens to place a blue light in their window 10 during the holiday season, from the night before Thanksgiving 11 12 until January 15; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all 14 Pennsylvanians to participate in Project Blue Light this year by 15 placing a blue light in a window of their home to demonstrate 16 support for all police officers who faithfully serve our 17 communities.

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