## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating February 23, 2016, as "Housing Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth provides in excess of 200,000
- 4 subsidized, assisted or affordable rental dwelling units within
- 5 its boundaries, funded through Federal and State programs
- 6 including, but not limited to, public housing, multi-family,
- 7 Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher and others, with an additional
- 8 43,000 affordable housing units that have been developed through
- 9 the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program; and
- 10 WHEREAS, There continues to be a demand for even more
- 11 affordable housing for low-income families, senior citizens,
- 12 veterans and individuals with physical and mental challenges;
- 13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, The provision of safe, secure, accessible and
- 15 affordable housing greatly impacts the lives of these
- 16 individuals; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Subsidized, assisted and affordable housing improves
- 18 the socioeconomic climate of this Commonwealth by benefiting not

- 1 only the residents, but also their neighbors, local businesses,
- 2 employers and their communities as a whole; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Creating awareness of the needs and the benefits of
- 4 housing assistance is essential to the growth and stability of
- 5 those who are served; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Association of Housing and
- 7 Redevelopment Agencies, in partnership with the Housing Alliance
- 8 of Pennsylvania, works closely with their members and industry
- 9 partners to build, develop, support and provide suitable housing
- 10 and related services; therefore be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate February 23, 2016, as
- 12 "Housing Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.