
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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DAVIDSON, MAY 25, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 25, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating June 29, 2017, as "Turkic Cultural Day" in
2 Pennsylvania and recognizing the valuable work of the Council
3 of Turkic American Associations and the Turkish Cultural
4 Center of Pennsylvania.

5 WHEREAS, The Council of Turkic American Associations and the
6 Turkish Cultural Center of Pennsylvania are hosting their sixth
7 annual "Turkic Cultural Day" to showcase the rich mosaic of
8 different cultures, religions and ethnicities and to educate the
9 public regarding the country of Turkey; and

10 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth proudly welcomes the Turkic-
11 American community to participate in the festivities to
12 commemorate the observance of "Turkic Cultural Day"; and

13 WHEREAS, Turkey, a secular democracy, has contributed to the
14 foreign policy of the United States in the Balkans, the Middle
15 East, Central Asia and the Caucasus; and

16 WHEREAS, The Council of Turkic American Associations serves
17 as an educational council that promotes Turkic-American culture

1 and heritage; and

2 WHEREAS, The Turkish Cultural Center of Pennsylvania
3 strengthens the cultural and educational ties among people from
4 diverse cultural backgrounds and furthers the cause of promoting
5 the Turkish heritage of tolerance and understanding; and

6 WHEREAS, The Council of Turkic American Associations and the
7 Turkish Cultural Center of Pennsylvania serve a diverse Turkic-
8 American population in this Commonwealth with heritages from the
9 countries of: Turkey, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan,
10 Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan; and

11 WHEREAS, Americans of Turkic origin play a significant role
12 in the ethnic diversity of this Commonwealth by incorporating
13 their rich spiritual and cultural heritage and their dedication
14 to the responsibilities of good citizenship; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate June
16 29, 2017, as "Turkic Cultural Day" in Pennsylvania and encourage
17 all residents of this Commonwealth to recognize the importance
18 of this day; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
20 efforts of the Council of Turkic American Associations and the
21 Turkish Cultural Center of Pennsylvania in promoting mutual
22 understanding, respect and friendship between Turkic Americans
23 and their neighbors.