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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
NOVEMBER 20, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing December 3, 2017, as "International Day of Persons
2 with Disabilities" in Pennsylvania to raise awareness of the
3 goal of full and equal enjoyment of human rights and
4 participation in society by persons with disabilities.

5 WHEREAS, More than 1 billion people or 15% of the world's
6 population are living with disabilities; and

7 WHEREAS, Persons with disabilities face physical, social and
8 economic barriers that make it challenging for them to fully
9 participate as equal members of society; and

10 WHEREAS, Following decades of work by the United Nations to
11 change attitudes and approaches to disability, the international
12 disability movement achieved an extraordinary advance in 2006
13 with the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of Persons
14 with Disabilities; and

15 WHEREAS, On September 23, 2013, the General Assembly of the
16 United Nations convened a high-level meeting on disability and

1 development with heads of state to develop a framework to
2 translate the international commitment for a disability-
3 inclusive society into concrete action; and

4 WHEREAS, "International Day of Persons with Disabilities" is
5 being celebrated around the globe on December 3, 2017, with a
6 theme of "Transformation towards sustainable and resilient
7 society for all"; and

8 WHEREAS, The outcome document will provide a blueprint to
9 launch global efforts to realize the full and equal
10 participation of persons with disabilities; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize
12 December 3, 2017, as "International Day of Persons with
13 Disabilities" in Pennsylvania to raise awareness of the goal of
14 full and equal enjoyment of human rights and participation in
15 society by persons with disabilities.