
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 931 Session of
2018

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CALTAGIRONE, GOODMAN AND EVERETT, MAY 18, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MAY 18, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of May 2018 as "Older Pennsylvanians
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, May is traditionally recognized as "Older Americans
4 Month" in the United States, a month set aside to honor older
5 adults who are among the most treasured resources, who are
6 united by historical experiences and strengthened by diversity
7 and who interpret events through varied perspectives and
8 backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our communities; and

9 WHEREAS, The Department of Health and Human Services'
10 Administration on Aging has announced that the theme of "Older
11 Americans Month 2018" is "Engage at Every Age"; and

12 WHEREAS, Older adults in this Commonwealth are continuing to
13 reinvent themselves through new work and new passions,
14 participating in activities that promote mental and physical

1 wellness, offering their wisdom and experience to the next
2 generation and seeking to mentor others with their life
3 experiences; and

4 WHEREAS, Our communities can provide opportunities to enrich
5 the lives of individuals of all ages by promoting and engaging
6 in activity, wellness and social involvement, emphasizing home-
7 based and community-based services that support independent
8 living and ensuring that community members can benefit from the
9 contributions and experience of older adults; and

10 WHEREAS, This year's theme emphasizes that you are never too
11 young or too old to take part in activities that can enrich your
12 physical, mental and emotional well-being; and

13 WHEREAS, Increasing numbers of adults are reaching retirement
14 age and it is especially important to note that those who were
15 born in the first year of the baby boom generation reached 65
16 years of age in 2011; and

17 WHEREAS, The expected population of those individuals who are
18 at least 65 years of age living in this Commonwealth will grow
19 to 25% of the population of this Commonwealth by the year 2020;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Older adults are productive, active and influential
22 members of society who share essential talents, wisdom and life
23 experiences with their families, friends and neighbors; and

24 WHEREAS, Older adults deserve recognition for the
25 contributions they have made and will make to the culture,
26 economy and character of the United States and this
27 Commonwealth; therefore be it

28 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
29 month of May 2018 as "Older Pennsylvanians Month" in
30 Pennsylvania; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That every citizen be urged to take time this month
2 to honor Pennsylvania's older adults and the professionals,
3 family members and volunteers who care for them.