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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SOLOMON, SONNEY, STAATS, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD, WARD AND  
DRISCOLL, SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and achievements of United States Senator John  
2 McCain and expressing condolences on his passing.

3 WHEREAS, On August 25, 2018, United States Senator John  
4 McCain succumbed to brain cancer just days before his 82nd  
5 birthday; and

6 WHEREAS, John Sidney McCain III was born on August 29, 1936,  
7 at Coco Solo Naval Air Station in the Panama Canal Zone, to  
8 naval officer John S. McCain Jr. and Roberta McCain; and

9 WHEREAS, Senator McCain's father and grandfather both  
10 achieved the rank of four-star admirals in the United States  
11 Navy and, in 1958, Senator McCain graduated from the United  
12 States Naval Academy at Annapolis; and

13 WHEREAS, After completing his pilot training at Pensacola,  
14 Florida, Senator McCain deployed to the Gulf of Tonkin; and

15 WHEREAS, During his time serving in the Vietnam War, Senator

1 McCain went above and beyond in service to his country and his  
2 fellow soldiers; and

3 WHEREAS, In 1967, Senator McCain was captured in Hanoi and  
4 offered early release which he turned down, refusing to leave  
5 behind his fellow prisoners of war; and

6 WHEREAS, After more than five years of being tortured,  
7 spending two years in solitary confinement and almost dying,  
8 Senator McCain was finally freed and returned to the United  
9 States as a hero in 1973; and

10 WHEREAS, After his return to the United States and his  
11 recovery, Senator McCain continued his military career rising to  
12 the rank of Captain; and

13 WHEREAS, In 1981, Senator McCain left the service having  
14 earned numerous military decorations and awards, including the  
15 Silver Star Medal, two Legions of Merit, Distinguished Flying  
16 Cross, three Bronze Star Medals, two Purple Hearts, two Navy and  
17 Marine Corps Commendation Medals and the Prisoner of War Medal;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, After his military service to the country, Senator  
20 McCain decided to run for office and was elected to the United  
21 States House of Representatives in 1982 to represent his beloved  
22 Arizona; and

23 WHEREAS, Following his reelection to a second term, Senator  
24 McCain set his sights on a seat in the United States Senate and  
25 won his first term in 1987; and

26 WHEREAS, Senator McCain dedicated his life to public service  
27 and was known as the "Maverick" for his strength in doing what  
28 he thought was best for his constituents and his country; and

29 WHEREAS, On July 19, 2017, Senator McCain's office revealed  
30 that the senator had surgery for a brain tumor associated with

1 glioblastoma; and

2 WHEREAS, Senator McCain died on August 25, 2018, and became  
3 the 31st individual to lie in state in the United States Capitol  
4 Rotunda; and

5 WHEREAS, Senator McCain was laid to rest in the United States  
6 Naval Academy Cemetery on September 2, 2018, next to his  
7 classmate and lifelong friend Admiral Charles R. Larson; and

8 WHEREAS, Senator McCain will always be remembered as a war  
9 hero and dedicated public servant; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the life  
11 and achievements of United States Senator John McCain and  
12 express condolences on his passing.