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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating May 23, 2017, as "Stop the Bleed Day" in
- 2 Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, When a person is losing blood, every minute counts,
- 4 and the "Stop the Bleed" campaign of the Department of Homeland
- 5 Security is informing Americans about vital measures to aid
- 6 trauma victims; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The initiative was created in the wake of the 2012
- 8 mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School; and
- 9 WHEREAS, At the request of the Governor of Connecticut, a
- 10 panel of experts, among them the American College of Surgeons,
- 11 reviewed the fatal incident and their review led to the
- 12 development of the "Stop the Bleed" campaign; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Because a trauma victim can bleed to death within
- 14 five minutes, before professional emergency care arrives, the
- 15 program teaches citizens bleeding-control methods developed by
- 16 the military and first responders; and
- 17 WHEREAS, "Stop the Bleed" also provides kits that include

- 1 such tools as tourniquets, dressings and topical hemostatic
- 2 agents to help bystanders offer swift assistance at the scene of
- 3 a mass casualty or other incident; and
- 4 WHEREAS, These kits are affixed to walls in public places,
- 5 much like the cardiac defibrillators with which most modern
- 6 buildings are furnished; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The "Stop the Bleed" campaign is empowering citizens
- 8 across the country to save lives in situations when time is of
- 9 the absolute essence; therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate May 23, 2017, as "Stop
- 11 the Bleed Day" and encourage all residents of this Commonwealth
- 12 to participate in the initiative and learn more about the
- 13 importance of bleeding-control measures.