

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 159 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY BARTOLOTTA, AUMENT, DINNIMAN, BREWSTER, ARGALL,
BROWNE, RESCHENTHALER, FOLMER, RAFFERTY, KILLION, WARD, VOGEL
AND MENSCH, JUNE 29, 2017

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of July 3 through 9, 2017, as "Whiskey
2 Rebellion Heritage Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Whiskey Rebellion was the first test of the
4 power of the new national government under the Constitution of
5 the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, The Whiskey Rebellion is considered to be one of the
7 five most important events in early American history; and

8 WHEREAS, The Whiskey Rebellion marks the only time in
9 American history that a standing President took command of
10 Federal troops; and

11 WHEREAS, The Whiskey Rebellion marks the first time that
12 Federal troops were used to put down an uprising; and

13 WHEREAS, The Whiskey Rebellion took place in western
14 Pennsylvania from 1791 to 1794 in protest of a Federal excise
15 tax on whiskey; and

16 WHEREAS, The City of Washington, Pennsylvania, annually
17 celebrates the spirit of our past and the history of the Whiskey

1 Rebellion through a festival that includes historic
2 reenactments, period exhibitions, family fun, frontier art,
3 heritage music and food and other entertainment; therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of July 3
5 through 9, 2017, as "Whiskey Rebellion Heritage Week" in
6 Pennsylvania; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That all residents of Pennsylvania be encouraged to
8 learn more about the Whiskey Rebellion and the events that
9 helped shape early America.