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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 6, 2017, as "Manufacturing Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The manufacturing industry directly adds more than  
4 \$70 billion in value to Pennsylvania's economy every year; and

5 WHEREAS, The manufacturing sector is a leading contributor to  
6 gross State product at 12%; and

7 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania manufacturers sell more than \$36  
8 billion worth of goods overseas annually, representing 91% of  
9 all State exports; and

10 WHEREAS, More than 555,000 Pennsylvania workers are employed  
11 in the manufacturing industry; and

12 WHEREAS, Millions of additional Pennsylvania jobs are  
13 directly sustained by manufacturing in supply chains,  
14 distribution networks, warehousing and logistics; and

15 WHEREAS, Manufacturing jobs have above-average wages and  
16 benefits, with average annual income of more than \$65,000, 44%  
17 higher than nonmanufacturing sectors; and

1       WHEREAS, Manufacturing drives innovation and productivity,  
2 accounting for 70% of all research and development expenditures  
3 in the United States; and

4       WHEREAS, More awareness is needed to attract students and  
5 young people to look at the manufacturing sector for  
6 opportunity, professional growth and family-sustaining jobs as  
7 at least 8,000 positions remained unfilled in the industry in  
8 Pennsylvania due to a lack of a trainable work force; therefore  
9 be it

10       RESOLVED, That the Senate designate October 6, 2017, as  
11 "Manufacturing Day" in Pennsylvania, in conjunction with  
12 national efforts, to recognize the overwhelming economic  
13 contributions manufacturing makes in our Commonwealth and the  
14 ongoing potential it has in continuing to create the work force  
15 of tomorrow.