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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 15, 2018, as "Trauma Registrars Day" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Each accredited trauma center in Pennsylvania is
4 required to have a trauma registrar; and

5 WHEREAS, The trauma registrar's primary role is to abstract
6 data into the trauma center's trauma registry, which is an
7 important management tool composed of a file of uniform data
8 elements that describe the injury, event, demographics,
9 prehospital information, diagnosis, care and outcomes and costs
10 of treatment of injured patients; and

11 WHEREAS, The trauma registrar also engages in other
12 processes, such as report generation, data analysis and research
13 assistance; and

14 WHEREAS, The trauma registrar is a vital and integral part of
15 the trauma team, the overall performance improvement process at
16 a trauma center and the public health; and

17 WHEREAS, Trauma registrars must abstract data in compliance

1 with the Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation guidelines as
2 well as the National Trauma Data Bank guidelines; and

3 WHEREAS, Trauma registrars come from diverse backgrounds,
4 such as nursing, medical records, computer science and medical
5 informatics, among others; and

6 WHEREAS, Trauma registrars must be continuous learners and
7 attend courses such as the American Trauma Society's Trauma
8 Registrar Course or an equivalent provided by a state trauma
9 program and the Association for the Advancement of Automotive
10 Medicine's Injury Scaling Course; and

11 WHEREAS, A certifying examination is available through the
12 sponsorship of the American Trauma Society's Registrar
13 Certification Board, leading to the designation of certified
14 specialist in trauma registries; and

15 WHEREAS, It is important to acknowledge that high-quality
16 data begins with high-quality data entry and it is the trauma
17 registrar who is responsible for performing this task;
18 therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate May 15, 2018, as "Trauma
20 Registrars Day" in Pennsylvania.