
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 58 Session of
2019

INTRODUCED BY COMITTA, KORTZ, MURT, HENNESSEY, DIGIROLAMO, HILL-
EVANS, BIZZARRO, BERNSTINE, MEHAFFIE, FREEMAN, QUINN,
MACKENZIE, KINSEY, RYAN, LONGIETTI, MILLARD, OBERLANDER AND
SAYLOR, JANUARY 29, 2019

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JANUARY 29, 2019

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of January 27 through February 2, 2019, as
2 "Physician Anesthesiologist Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Anesthesiologists are physicians who specialize in
4 developing anesthetic plans and administering anesthetics; and

5 WHEREAS, Anesthesiologists often undergo at least 12 years of
6 higher education and training, including undergraduate school,
7 medical school and a four-year residency program; and

8 WHEREAS, Anesthesiologists complete all courses relevant to
9 the practice of medicine and are prepared to diagnose patients
10 and manage surgical complications during emergency situations;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Prior to practicing independently, anesthesiologists
13 accumulate between 12,000 and 16,000 hours of clinical patient
14 care; and

15 WHEREAS, Anesthesiologists are a critical part of a patient's
16 surgical team, as they evaluate a patient's health prior to the

1 procedure, administer the anesthesia, monitor the patient during
2 surgery and assess the patient's status after the procedure is
3 complete; and

4 WHEREAS, Anesthesiologists provide anesthesia for almost 90
5 million medical procedures every year in the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Society of Anesthesiologists is
7 dedicated to providing the safest, high-quality physician-led
8 care and to creating a better future through innovation,
9 cutting-edge medicine, advocacy and education; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
11 week of January 27 through February 2, 2019, as "Physician
12 Anesthesiologist Week" in Pennsylvania.