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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 188 Session of  
2019

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INTRODUCED BY PASHINSKI, WILLIAMS, LONGIETTI, HARKINS,  
DIGIROLAMO, HILL-EVANS, KORTZ, KINSEY, MILLARD, MULLERY,  
BURNS, FREEMAN, SCHLOSSBERG, MARKOSEK, CALTAGIRONE, READSHAW,  
SAINATO, GOODMAN, NEILSON, BOBACK, MURT, KIM, DeLUCA, DEASY  
AND MULLINS, APRIL 2, 2019

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
APRIL 2, 2019

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating April 28, 2019, as "Workers' Memorial Day" in  
2 Pennsylvania in memory of workers killed, injured and  
3 disabled in the workplace and in recognition of the efforts  
4 of the Greater Wilkes-Barre Labor Council and the 12th annual  
5 local "Workers' Memorial Day" program and candlelight vigil  
6 service.

7 WHEREAS, Every year in America, a great number of workers are  
8 killed as a result of workplace injuries and occupational  
9 diseases; and

10 WHEREAS, The Federal Bureau of Labor and Statistics has  
11 reported that 5,147 workers suffered fatal injuries in the  
12 workplace in 2017; and

13 WHEREAS, In 2015, 173 Pennsylvania workers lost their lives  
14 due to fatal accidents in the workplace; and

15 WHEREAS, While the official "National Workers' Memorial Day"  
16 is celebrated annually on April 28, the Greater Wilkes-Barre  
17 Labor Council and other concerned residents are determined to  
18 prevent these tragedies with a local observation of "National

1 Workers' Memorial Day," as a day to remember these victims of  
2 workplace injuries; and

3 WHEREAS, Through the local observance of this day, the  
4 Greater Wilkes-Barre Labor Council renews efforts to seek  
5 stronger safety and health protections, better standards and  
6 enforcement and fair and just compensation and improve the  
7 health and safety of every American workplace; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate April  
9 28, 2019, as "Workers' Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania in memory  
10 of workers killed, injured and disabled in the workplace and in  
11 recognition of the Greater Wilkes-Barre Labor Council's efforts  
12 and the 12th annual local "Workers' Memorial Day" program and  
13 candlelight vigil service.