## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2019

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of May 5 through 11, 2019, as "Small
- Business Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Small business employers and employees constitute
- 4 nearly half of the United States workforce; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Each year since 1963, the President of the United
- 6 States has signed a "National Small Business Week" proclamation;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, This observance recognizes the risk-takers,
- 9 innovators and investors who steer small business development
- 10 and performance; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Their enterprises create two out of every three new
- 12 jobs; and
- 13 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, small-scale enterprises
- 14 represent 99.6% of all employers and 2.5 million private-sector
- 15 employees; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The 1 million small businesses in this Commonwealth
- 2 generate billions of dollars in annual income and benefits; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Addressing regulated utility matters with the Office
- 4 of Small Business Advocate, these small businesses have derived
- 5 an estimated \$35 million in annual utility cost savings; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Their cumulative utility cost savings over a three-
- 7 year period are projected to be nearly \$130 million; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is committed to providing
- 9 interagency support for small business owners as they build and
- 10 advance their enterprises; therefore be it
- 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 12 week of May 5 through 11, 2019, as "Small Business Week" in
- 13 Pennsylvania.