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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 569 Session of 2019

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INTRODUCED BY STEPHENS, HENNESSEY, PICKETT, JAMES, KINSEY, DIGIROLAMO, MADDEN, SONNEY, BURNS, LONGIETTI, KORTZ, BRIGGS, SCHLEGEL CULVER, KAUFFMAN, MERSKI, FREEMAN, MILLARD, HILL-EVANS, READSHAW, BROWN, HOWARD, SCHMITT, CALTAGIRONE, DEASY AND DeLUCA, OCTOBER 21, 2019

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, OCTOBER 21, 2019

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of October 20 through 26, 2019, as "Pro  
2 Bono Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The 11th annual "National Pro Bono Week" is being  
4 celebrated at the end of October; and

5 WHEREAS, "National Pro Bono Week" is an opportunity to  
6 highlight the differences lawyers make in their communities,  
7 recruit and train more pro bono volunteers and acknowledge the  
8 partnerships that form the basis for many of the private bar's  
9 most successful pro bono efforts; and

10 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Bar Association is joining the  
11 American Bar Association to sponsor this October's annual  
12 "National Pro Bono Week" celebration; and

13 WHEREAS, "National Pro Bono Week" provides numerous  
14 opportunities to highlight the good work Pennsylvania attorneys  
15 do for the neediest among us; and

16 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is a leader in celebrating "National

1 Pro Bono Week," with numerous events at many sites across this  
2 Commonwealth, such as:

3 (1) Youth court training in Dauphin County on Thursday,  
4 October 17, 2019.

5 (2) The Pennsylvania Bar Association's "Wills for  
6 Heroes" initiative in Cumberland County on Saturday, October  
7 26, 2019.

8 (3) Pro bono awards in Berks County.

9 (4) A special "Thanks a Latte" coffee celebration in  
10 Allegheny County.

11 (5) A special focus on Pennsylvania's "clean slate"  
12 criminal record review with ongoing pro bono service to help  
13 those individuals who need a second chance;  
14 therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
16 week of October 20 through 26, 2019, as "Pro Bono Week" in  
17 Pennsylvania.