
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WILLIAMS, STRUZZI, ROZZI, THOMAS AND MALAGARI, MARCH 10, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, MARCH 10, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of March 2020 as "American Red Cross
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Every day, residents of this Commonwealth depend on
4 the American Red Cross, whose volunteers, donors and community
5 partners power its lifesaving mission and service its provides;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, The American Red Cross has a long history of
8 providing shelter, care and hope during disasters; and

9 WHEREAS, The American Red Cross teaches skills that save
10 lives; and

11 WHEREAS, More than 200,000 residents of this Commonwealth
12 have received American Red Cross training in first aid, CPR and
13 other safety and rescue techniques; and

14 WHEREAS, The American Red Cross supplies blood products and
15 related services; and

1 WHEREAS, The American Red Cross makes our communities safer
2 and saves lives through the Home Fire Campaign; and

3 WHEREAS, Since the Home Fire Campaign started in 2014, more
4 than 100,000 free smoke alarms have been installed in homes in
5 this Commonwealth, and more than 2 million have been installed
6 nationwide; and

7 WHEREAS, Through the Service to the Armed Forces, the
8 American Red Cross aids military families, servicemembers and
9 veterans; and

10 WHEREAS, The Service to the Armed Forces has performed more
11 than 12,000 services, such as facilitating emergency
12 communications and giving financial assistance, in this
13 Commonwealth; and

14 WHEREAS, Last year, 6,515 American Red Cross volunteers
15 responded when more than 3,800 families were affected by 2,305
16 home fires and other disasters in this Commonwealth; and

17 WHEREAS, These individuals addressed urgent needs for food
18 and lodging and established recovery support systems; and

19 WHEREAS, Last year, more than 100 individuals from this
20 Commonwealth were among the nearly 9,000 American Red Cross
21 volunteers and staff who responded to Hurricane Dorian,
22 California wildfires, Midwest tornadoes and other large
23 disasters across our nation; and

24 WHEREAS, These individuals provided refuge, food, relief
25 items, emotional support, recovery planning and other
26 assistance; and

27 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives recognizes the American
28 Red Cross for preventing or alleviating suffering caused by an
29 emergency or disaster; and

30 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives recognizes the American

1 Red Cross for its vital humanitarian work on behalf of the
2 residents and communities of this Commonwealth; and
3 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives thanks and honors the
4 selfless individuals who conduct this work with compassion;
5 therefore be it
6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
7 month of March 2020 as "American Red Cross Month" in
8 Pennsylvania.