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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY SCHWANK, FONTANA, BROWNE, COLLETT, DINNIMAN,  
ARGALL, BARTOLOTTA, FARNESE, SANTARSIERO, BREWSTER, SCAVELLO,  
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MARCH 25, 2019

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of March 2019 as "Professional Social Work  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Social workers are trained to examine and address  
4 life's problems holistically; and

5 WHEREAS, Social workers are committed to enhancing the well-  
6 being of individuals and to helping all individuals,  
7 particularly the most vulnerable and at-risk, meet basic needs;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, The national theme for "Social Work Month" in 2019  
10 is "Elevate Social Work!"; and

11 WHEREAS, Social workers elevate and empower people by  
12 developing their abilities to handle and solve problems and  
13 personal roadblocks and to locate resources needed to do this;  
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Social workers serve throughout society, including  
16 in government and the military, schools and universities, social

1 service agencies and health care and mental health  
2 organizations; and

3 WHEREAS, Social workers assist all individuals and segments  
4 of society in conscious disregard of background or identity; and

5 WHEREAS, Social workers give veterans and their families  
6 support to transition to civilian life when their service is  
7 done; and

8 WHEREAS, Social workers are found in every human and natural  
9 crisis, helping the damaged to heal and the at-risk to  
10 confidently face the most threatening setback; and

11 WHEREAS, Social workers are change agents who turn everyday  
12 need and risk into policies and practice that strengthen society  
13 through improvements in individual, family and community well-  
14 being; and

15 WHEREAS, The number of social workers is projected to grow by  
16 more than 100,000 by 2026; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of March 2019  
18 as "Professional Social Work Month" in Pennsylvania in  
19 recognition of social workers and their commitment to  
20 individuals, families and communities; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the residents of this Commonwealth be urged to  
22 join the Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Association of  
23 Social Workers in celebration and support of social workers and  
24 the social work profession.