## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 94

Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY GORDNER, BARTOLOTTA, LANGERHOLC, DINNIMAN, BREWSTER, MARTIN, VOGEL, BROWNE, FOLMER, COSTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, ARGALL, YAW, BAKER, K. WARD, MENSCH, KILLION, HUTCHINSON, BLAKE, TARTAGLIONE, J. WARD, YUDICHAK AND AUMENT, APRIL 30, 2019

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing May 2, 2019, as "National Day of Prayer" in
- 2 Pennsylvania and encouraging the celebration of religious
- 3 freedom.
- 4 WHEREAS, "National Day of Prayer" is a day set aside to pray
- 5 for our nation; and
- 6 WHEREAS, In 1952, Congress passed Public Law 82-324, which
- 7 calls on citizens of the United States to reaffirm the role of
- 8 prayer in our society and to respect the freedom of religion;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, The act of June 28, 1996 (P.L.422, No.61), provides
- 11 that the first Thursday in May of each year is designated as
- 12 "Commonwealth Day of Prayer and Celebration of Religious
- 13 Freedom"; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The designated day, the first Thursday of May,
- 15 belongs to all citizens; and
- 16 WHEREAS, This annual event was not created for political
- 17 reasons or to promote any other agenda except prayer; and

- 1 WHEREAS, We pray for our leaders, for our communities, for
- 2 our families, for our children and for each other; and
- 3 WHEREAS, "National Day of Prayer" is a day to ask for
- 4 healing, to heal our nation and to bring us together in true
- 5 unity; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Prayer is regarded by millions of people as the most
- 7 important utterance for the benefit of humankind; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Our nation was founded by single-minded men and
- 9 women who sought wisdom through prayer; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Prayer has aided many people throughout the history
- 11 of our nation and this Commonwealth when support and guidance
- 12 were needed; therefore be it
- 13 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize May 2, 2019, as "National
- 14 Day of Prayer" in Pennsylvania and encourage the celebration of
- 15 religious freedom.