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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the month of May 2019 as "Community Action Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Community Action emerged from the heart of President
- 4 Lyndon B. Johnson's 1964 proclamation of America's "War on
- 5 Poverty," where battles must be won in the field, in every
- 6 private home and in every public office, from the courthouse to
- 7 the White House; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Community Action has put a human face on poverty for
- 9 more than 50 years by advocating for limited-income individuals
- 10 without a voice so that they may enter the middle class and
- 11 reach for the American dream, replacing their despair with
- 12 opportunity; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Community Action builds and promotes economic
- 14 stability as an essential aspect of enabling and enhancing
- 15 stronger communities, which in turn promotes self-sufficiency,
- 16 ensuring that all Americans are able to live in dignity; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Community Action has enhanced the lives of people

- 1 across this Commonwealth by providing essential, life-changing
- 2 services and opportunities such as affordable housing, economic
- 3 development, health care, energy assistance, natural disaster
- 4 relief and recovery; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Community Action already serves all counties of this
- 6 Commonwealth in rural, suburban and urban communities, and
- 7 because it is right, because it is wise and because in our
- 8 hearts and minds we believe it is possible, we will conquer
- 9 poverty in our lifetime; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Community Action continues to implement innovative
- 11 and cost-effective programs to improve the lives and living
- 12 conditions of impoverished individuals and families, provide
- 13 support and opportunities for all people in need of assistance
- 14 and be a major voice of reason in establishing welfare system
- 15 reforms; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of May 2019 as
- 17 "Community Action Month" in Pennsylvania in recognition of the
- 18 hard work and dedication of the Community Action agencies in
- 19 this Commonwealth.