## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating the month of May 2019 as "Summer Camps Month" in
  Pennsylvania in recognition of the rich benefits that summer
  camps provide for the positive development of youths and the
  enhancement of local communities.

  WHEREAS, Summer camps provide new experiences for youths
  which expand their personal growth; and

  WHEREAS, Summer camps nurture through nature and teach the
- 8 importance of environmental stewardship; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Summer camps provide youths with leadership
- 10 opportunities through which they can hone and develop their
- 11 decisionmaking skills for long-term success; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Summer camps provide an unplugged environment which
- 13 allows youths the time and opportunity to express emotion and
- 14 converse face-to-face; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Summer camps teach critical-thinking and problem-
- 16 solving skills to youths that will serve them well in all
- 17 aspects of their life; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Summer camps play a vital role in building strong

- 1 communities and model citizens; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Summer camps foster compassionate behavior by
- 3 allowing youths to participate in local service projects; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Hundreds of summer camps operate across this
- 5 Commonwealth, hosting tens of thousands of in-State and out-of-
- 6 State youths; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Summer camps pay millions of dollars in property and
- 8 payroll taxes and for purchases of local goods and services; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Memorial Day holiday weekend is often viewed as
- 10 the unofficial start of summer as well as the start of summer
- 11 camp season in Pennsylvania; therefore be it
- 12 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of May 2019 as
- 13 "Summer Camps Month" in Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the rich benefits that
- 15 summer camps provide for the positive development of youths and
- 16 the enhancement of local communities.