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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY FARNESE, DINNIMAN, MASTRIANO, FONTANA, KILLION,  
PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, J. WARD, BLAKE, BROWNE, ARGALL,  
HUGHES, COSTA, BARTOLOTTA, SANTARSIERO, HUTCHINSON, PITTMAN,  
SCHWANK, MENSCH, IOVINO, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK AND AUMENT,  
OCTOBER 22, 2019

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of October 2019 as "Polish American  
2 Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania and designating October 6,  
3 2019, as "Pulaski Day" in Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, The Senate commemorates the 1,053rd anniversary of  
5 the documented history of Poland; and

6 WHEREAS, The Senate further commemorates the 411th  
7 anniversary of Polish settlers arriving in the United States;  
8 and

9 WHEREAS, This year marks the 400th anniversary of the Polish  
10 settlers who organized the first labor strike at Jamestown,  
11 Virginia, the 80th anniversary of the German invasion of Poland  
12 and the 75th anniversaries of the battle of Monte Cassino and  
13 the Warsaw Uprising; and

14 WHEREAS, The Senate joins in observing the 38th anniversary  
15 of "Polish American Heritage Month," which highlights  
16 individuals of Polish heritage who have contributed greatly to  
17 global advancement and the growth of our nation and State; and

1       WHEREAS, General Casimir Pulaski, known as the father of the  
2 American cavalry, fought for independence on two continents  
3 before his death 240 years ago; and

4       WHEREAS, Marie Sklodowska Curie earned a share of the 1903  
5 Nobel Prize in Physics for joint research on radiation and was  
6 awarded the 1911 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for her discovery of  
7 polonium and radium; and

8       WHEREAS, Ignacy Jan Paderewski, world-famous pianist and  
9 composer, statesman and advocate for Polish freedom, was born in  
10 Europe in 1860 and died in New York City in 1941; and

11       WHEREAS, Revolutionary War hero Thaddeus Kosciuszko, renowned  
12 international conductor Leopold Stokowski, former National  
13 Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski and former United States  
14 Senator Edmund Muskie are other Polish notables; and

15       WHEREAS, Individuals of Polish heritage have many reasons to  
16 celebrate their heritage, their culture and their achievements;  
17 and

18       WHEREAS, Pennsylvanians are grateful for their enduring  
19 contributions; therefore be it

20       RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of October 2019  
21 as "Polish American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania and  
22 designate October 6, 2019, as "Pulaski Day" in Pennsylvania.