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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing October 29, 2019, as "International Data Center Day"
 2 in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, "International Data Center Day" was created to raise
- 4 awareness of the data center industry and to inspire the next
- 5 generation of talent in this industry; and
- 6 WHEREAS, By providing a mechanism to conduct digital
- 7 transactions and storage of financial information to our vital
- 8 health records, data centers are critical to our daily lives;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, It is essential that these buildings operate 24
- 11 hours a day, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year without interruption
- 12 and be constructed to be highly reliable with flawless data
- 13 connectivity, great access to power, superior energy efficiency
- 14 and highly secure facilities; and
- 15 WHEREAS, There are currently more than 8 million data centers
- 16 worldwide; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Nationwide, data centers take up more than 2% of all

- 1 the electric on the country's power grid; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Presently, there are approximately 63,000 searches
- 3 performed on search engines every second in data centers and it
- 4 is projected that there will be more than 50 billion smart
- 5 devices in use by the year 2020, requiring an increase in data
- 6 center growth to service those devices; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Data centers are and will increasingly become a
- 8 supplier of high-paying jobs to citizens of all skill sets, as
- 9 the projected job growth for the data center industry is 12%
- 10 through 2024; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The average salary for a data center engineer varies
- 12 depending on where the data center is located with an overall
- 13 current estimated data center engineer average salary being
- 14 \$63,000 per year; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize October 29, 2019, as
- 16 "International Data Center Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it
- 17 further
- 18 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the value of the data
- 19 center industry as a fundamental part of industry and our
- 20 economy.