THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 202

Session of 2022

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, MAY 11, 2022

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing May 30, 2022, as "Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 2 WHEREAS, "Memorial Day" is a solemn day of remembrance for
- 3 everyone who has died serving in the United States Armed Forces;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Since the beginning of our nation's history,
- 6 America's soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen have paid the
- 7 ultimate price to defend the United States and the principles
- 8 upon which it was founded; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Our nation has turned to these individuals in states
- 10 of panic, fear and distress to secure our safety, and these
- 11 loyal soldiers and airmen fearlessly risk their lives, without
- 12 hesitation, to answer the call of duty; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The total number of Americans killed in all United
- 14 States wars is more than 1.3 million, and these Americans
- 15 departed this world as heroes and gave their lives for a cause

- 1 greater than themselves; and
- 2 WHEREAS, It is our sacred duty to preserve the legacy of
- 3 these brave Americans and it remains our charge to work for
- 4 peace, freedom and security; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Through the brave and compassionate actions of these
- 6 soldiers, they become role models and an inspiration to every
- 7 American generation; and
- 8 WHEREAS, On the last Monday of May, our nation observes
- 9 "Memorial Day," a Federal holiday commemorating the men and
- 10 women who died in the service of their country; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The holiday, originally known as Decoration Day,
- 12 started after the Civil War to honor fallen Union and
- 13 Confederate soldiers, and was standardized by Congress as an
- 14 official national holiday in 1971; and
- 15 WHEREAS, "Memorial Day" takes on a special significance in
- 16 years such as 2022 when Americans are actively reminded on a
- 17 daily basis of the dangers, sacrifices and nobility of military
- 18 service; and
- 19 WHEREAS, In order to recognize America's fallen heroes, the
- 20 Federal Government asks that all Americans take a moment of
- 21 silent remembrance at 3 p.m. on "Memorial Day"; therefore be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize May 30,
- 23 2022, as "Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives formally
- 25 recognize and pay tribute to the armed forces who have fallen in
- 26 order to protect and preserve this Commonwealth and the nation;
- 27 and be it further
- 28 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge every
- 29 resident to honor the heroic and brave soldiers who gave the
- 30 ultimate sacrifice to ensure our freedom on this day.