THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

Recognizing October 8, 2021, as "National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell 1 Day" in Pennsylvania. 2 WHEREAS, Hydrogen, which has an atomic mass of 1.008, is the 3 most abundant chemical substance in the universe; and 4 5 WHEREAS, The United States is a world leader in the 6 development and deployment of fuel cell and hydrogen 7 technologies; and WHEREAS, Hydrogen fuel cells played an instrumental role in 8 9 the United States space program, helping the United States 10 achieve the mission of landing a man on the moon; and WHEREAS, Private industry, Federal and state governments, 11 12 national laboratories and institutions of higher education 13 continue to improve fuel cell and hydrogen technologies to 14 address the most pressing energy, environmental and economic 15 issues of the United States; and 16 WHEREAS, Fuel cells utilizing hydrogen and hydrogen-rich

10 WHEREAS, Fuel cells utilizing hydrogen and hydrogen-fich 17 fuels to generate electricity are clean, efficient and resilient 18 technologies being sold for stationary and backup power, zero1 emission light-duty motor vehicles and buses, industrial

2 vehicles and portable power; and

3 WHEREAS, Stationary fuel cells are being placed in service for continuous and backup power to provide business and energy 4 consumers with reliable power in the event of grid outages; and 5 WHEREAS, Stationary fuel cells can help reduce water use, as 6 7 compared to traditional power generation technologies; and 8 WHEREAS, Fuel cell electric light-duty motor vehicles and buses that utilize hydrogen can completely replicate the 9 10 experience of internal combustion vehicles, including comparable 11 range and refueling times; and

12 WHEREAS, Hydrogen fuel cell industrial vehicles are being 13 deployed at logistical hubs and warehouses across the United 14 States and exported to facilities in Europe and Asia; and 15 WHEREAS, Hydrogen is a nontoxic gas that can be derived from 16 a variety of domestically available traditional and renewable resources, including solar, wind and biogas and the abundant 17 18 supply of natural gas in the United States; and 19 WHEREAS, Hydrogen and fuel cells can store energy to help 20 enhance the grid and maximize opportunities to deploy renewable 21 energy; and

22 WHEREAS, The United States produces and uses more than 10 23 million metric tons of hydrogen per year; and 24 WHEREAS, Engineers and safety code and standard professionals 25 have developed consensus-based protocols for safe delivery, 26 handling and use of hydrogen; therefore be it 27 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize October 8, 2021, as 28 "National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Day" in Pennsylvania.

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