THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY PHILLIPS-HILL, BREWSTER, KEARNEY, BROWN, TARTAGLIONE, BROOKS, MARTIN, GEBHARD, LAUGHLIN, HAYWOOD, HUGHES, HUTCHINSON, PENNYCUICK AND COSTA, SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Designating October 6, 2023, as "Manufacturing Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Manufacturing is the lifeblood of the economic well-
- 4 being in our Commonwealth generating more than \$100 billion
- 5 annually in State gross product; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The manufacturing sector is a leading contributor to
- 7 gross State product at 12%; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Manufacturers employ 550,000 hardworking
- 9 Pennsylvanians on the plant floors; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Millions of additional Pennsylvania jobs are
- 11 directly sustained by manufacturing in supply chains,
- 12 distribution networks, warehousing and logistics; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Manufacturing jobs have above-average wages and
- 14 benefits, averaging an annual income of more than \$82,000, 40%
- 15 higher than nonmanufacturing sectors; and
- 16 WHEREAS, There are upwards of 8,000 manufacturing jobs that
- 17 remain unfilled on our manufacturing plant floors due to a lack

- 1 of a trainable workforce; and
- 2 WHEREAS, The stigmas that manufacturing is dirty, dangerous
- 3 and unfulfilling often remain uncontested; and
- 4 WHEREAS, More awareness is needed to attract students and
- 5 young people to look at the manufacturing sector for
- 6 opportunity, professional growth and family-sustaining jobs in
- 7 Pennsylvania; therefore be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate October 6, 2023, as
- 9 "Manufacturing Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Senate, in conjunction with national
- 11 efforts, recognize the overwhelming economic contributions
- 12 manufacturing makes in our Commonwealth and the ongoing
- 13 potential it has in continuing to create the workforce of
- 14 tomorrow; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage increasing awareness of
- 16 our Commonwealth's young people to the opportunities that exist
- 17 in the manufacturing sector.