
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1091 Session of
2018

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SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating 2018 as "Year of the Woman" in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, 2018 is a year to celebrate acts of courage and
3 determination by women who are playing an extraordinary role in
4 the history of our Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, Many Pennsylvania women have achieved above and
6 beyond in their respective fields; and

7 WHEREAS, Their acts of courage, tenacity and accomplishment
8 show their strength and success in all walks of life and the
9 pursuit of their dreams; and

10 WHEREAS, Several Pennsylvania women have risen in their
11 talents in the arts, inspiring others to dare to dream and
12 pursue their passions, including Christina Aguilera, a five-time
13 Grammy Award winner, and Taylor Swift, a ten-time Grammy Award
14 winner who holds six Guinness World Records; and

1 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has notable women in the medical field
2 who have reached new heights in their careers and in the search
3 to assist others in achieving their best lives; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Lucy B. Rorke-Adams, with 60 years of experience
5 in her field, became a leading voice in neuropathology as a
6 doctor at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and clinical
7 professor at the University of Pennsylvania; and

8 WHEREAS, Susan P. Byrnes, R.N., dedicated her life as a nurse
9 to preventing premature death caused by unhealthy choices and
10 opened the Byrnes Health Education Center in 1995 to continue to
11 educate others about making healthy choices; and

12 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is home to the country's first female
13 brewmaster since Prohibition, Carol Stoudt, a pioneer in the
14 brewing industry who started Stoudt Brewing Co. more than 30
15 years ago; and

16 WHEREAS, Hagir Elsheikh is a Pennsylvania professor and
17 activist who in 2013 started HSE Staffing Agency, LLC, which
18 pairs health care providers with skilled employees and is
19 considered one of the leading agencies in central Pennsylvania;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Ms. Elsheikh is an advocate for victims of violence
22 through Tomorrow's Smiles, Inc., her nonprofit organization, and
23 shares podcasts on important topics, including human
24 trafficking; and

25 WHEREAS, Loretta Claiborne, an athlete originally from York
26 County who was born partially blind and unable to talk until age
27 four, has competed in six Special Olympics as a runner and has
28 earned a gold medal; therefore be it

29 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate 2018 as
30 the "Year of the Woman" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives celebrate these
2 women and the countless others who have shown extraordinary
3 courage, success and tenacity in all they pursue and recognize
4 their role in the history of this Commonwealth.