
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 143 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY DRISCOLL, FLYNN, BOYLE, HENNESSEY, FREEMAN,
QUIGLEY, BIZZARRO, HARKINS, DONATUCCI, READSHAW, SOLOMON,
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DIGIROLAMO, STAATS, O'NEILL, McNEILL, MACKENZIE, GOODMAN,
W. KELLER, ROEBUCK, R. BROWN, NEILSON, A. HARRIS AND DEASY,
MARCH 10, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 10, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of March 2017 as "Irish American Heritage
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2017, the Irish community in this
4 Commonwealth celebrates the occasion of the feast of the
5 glorious Apostle of Ireland, Saint Patrick; and

6 WHEREAS, The theme of the 2017 St. Patrick's Day Parade in
7 Philadelphia is "St. Patrick, Protect and Guide Our Police
8 Officers"; and

9 WHEREAS, Fleeing political, religious and racial persecution
10 in Ireland, Irish immigrants arrived on our shores penniless and
11 unwanted, yet filled with hope that the United States held a
12 future in which Irish immigrants and their families would enjoy
13 the bountiful fruits of a nation founded upon the principles of
14 liberty and justice for all; and

1 WHEREAS, In every phase of our national history, Irish
2 Americans have been at the forefront of the political, economic,
3 religious, social and artistic fields; and

4 WHEREAS, Irish-American contributions to this Commonwealth
5 are immeasurable; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
7 month of March 2017 as "Irish American Heritage Month" in
8 Pennsylvania and extend its felicitations and best wishes to the
9 Irish community in this Commonwealth on this momentous occasion;
10 and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
12 the Taoiseach Enda Kenny T.D., Department of the Taoiseach,
13 Government Buildings, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin 2, Ireland,
14 D02 R583 and to President William P. Ivers, St. Patrick's Day
15 Observance Association, P.O. Box 40744, Philadelphia,
16 Pennsylvania 19107.