# THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA <br> HOUSE RESOLUTION No. $256{ }^{\substack{\text { sasenon } \\ \text { 2071 }}}$ 

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 17, 2017

## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing April 29, 2017, as "T'ai Chi and Qigong Day" in Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, "World T'ai Chi and Qigong Day" is celebrated in hundreds of cities and in more than 70 nations annually; and

WHEREAS, T'ai chi and qigong's traditional Chinese exercises involve a series of mindful relaxed movements and mind-body meditations; and

WHEREAS, Individuals of all fitness levels benefit from using the techniques of t'ai chi and qigong; and

WHEREAS, Harvard Medical School brands t'ai chi and qigong as medication in motion for the myriad of health benefits that they offer; and

WHEREAS, Emory University School of Medicine describes t'ai chi and qigong as a series of movements creating strength and improving balance, flexibility and cardiovascular health; and

WHEREAS, The University of Miami School of Medicine determined that t'ai chi and qigong improve the behavior of
adolescents with attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder;
and

WHEREAS, The numerous studies of t'ai chi and qigong by the National Institutes of Health reveal benefits, including stress reduction, strengthening the immune system and overall general health; and

WHEREAS, T'ai chi and qigong provide stress management and behavior modification for drug abusers and prison inmates in penal systems throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, The objective of "World T'ai Chi and Qigong Day" is to bring practitioners together and enable individuals to learn more about t'ai chi and qigong throughout this day of celebration; and therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize April 29, 2017, as "T'ai Chi and Qigong Day" in Pennsylvania.

