

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 257 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY SACCONI, MURT, COHEN, BISHOP, MACKENZIE, QUIGLEY, COX, HENNESSEY, KOTIK, DONATUCCI, CALTAGIRONE, VEREB, HAHN, MCGINNIS, METCALFE, MALONEY, PICKETT, BAKER, IRVIN, MUSTIO, MILLARD, TALLMAN, WATSON, READSHAW, GOODMAN, THOMAS, GROVE, PAYNE, ROSS, O'NEILL, MARSICO, MAHONEY, FARINA, GINGRICH, KIRKLAND AND MAJOR, APRIL 16, 2015

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, APRIL 16, 2015

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating May 1, 2015, as "Loyalty Day" in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, The Department of Pennsylvania, Veterans of Foreign  
3 Wars of the United States, is conducting its annual "Loyalty  
4 Day" program on the grounds of the State Capitol on May 1, 2015;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, In 1958, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the  
7 act of July 18, 1958 (Public Law 85-529, 72 Stat. 369), which  
8 designates the first day in May of each year as "Loyalty Day";  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, "Loyalty Day" is set aside as a special day for  
11 reaffirming loyalty to the United States and recognizing  
12 American freedom; and

13 WHEREAS, The President of the United States annually issues a  
14 proclamation calling on officials to proudly display the flag of  
15 the United States on all government buildings on this special

1 day; and

2 WHEREAS, Citizens and elected officials are encouraged to  
3 observe "Loyalty Day" in schools and other appropriate places;  
4 and

5 WHEREAS, In the post-9/11 world, it is fitting that the  
6 citizens of this Commonwealth pause on "Loyalty Day" to reflect  
7 on the privileges of freedom, democracy and unmatched  
8 opportunity that we enjoy in the United States; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate May 1,  
10 2015, as "Loyalty Day" in Pennsylvania, proudly joining the  
11 Department of Pennsylvania, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the  
12 United States, in its observance and commend the department for  
13 its continued service to our nation and this Commonwealth; and  
14 be it further

15 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
16 Pennsylvania State Veterans of Foreign Wars Commander Gary R.  
17 Smith on May 1, 2015, at the "Loyalty Day" program conducted by  
18 the Department of Pennsylvania, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the  
19 United States, on the grounds of the State Capitol.