## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 327 Session of 2024

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, FEBRUARY 23, 2024

## A RESOLUTION

1 2 3	Recognizing March 8, 2024, as "International Women's Day" in Pennsylvania with respect for women's rich and diverse accomplishments and aspirations.
4	WHEREAS, "International Women's Day" is observed globally on
5	March 8 of every year to recognize the social, economic,
6	cultural, political, workforce and leadership roles of women;
7	and
8	WHEREAS, The Commonwealth recognizes the importance of
9	supporting and empowering women leaders in all sectors and
10	levels of society, and of fostering a culture of diversity and
11	respect; and
12	WHEREAS, On "International Women's Day," thousands of events
13	are held throughout the world to honor women while focusing
14	attention on areas requiring further action; and
15	WHEREAS, These events are a reminder of the hard work,
16	sacrifices and joy evident in the notable progress women have

1 won through the years; and

2 WHEREAS, One of the most iconic symbols of "International 3 Women's Day" is the "Fearless Girl" statue which debuted on 4 "International Women's Day" seven years ago in downtown 5 Manhattan across from the "Charging Bull" statue; and 6 WHEREAS, A plaque originally placed below the "Fearless Girl" 7 statue read "Know the power of women in leadership. SHE makes a

8 difference"; and

9 WHEREAS, The "Fearless Girl" statue continues to inspire 10 women and girls around the world to be fearless and pursue their 11 dreams; and

12 WHEREAS, "International Women's Day" is an opportunity for 13 Pennsylvanians to highlight the numerous contributions of women 14 across this Commonwealth; and

15 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has been home to many influential 16 and groundbreaking women from various fields and backgrounds, including environmentalists, authors, scientists, seamstresses, 17 18 entertainers, civil rights activists and the like; and 19 WHEREAS, Women play a vital role in all spheres of 20 government, from local school boards to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, bringing their unique insight and 21 22 perspective; and

23 WHEREAS, "International Women's Day" is an ideal day to 24 celebrate the achievements of women across this Commonwealth and 25 specifically the record number of women serving in the 26 Pennsylvania House of Representatives and Senate, as well as the 27 first female Speaker of the House of Representatives and 28 President pro tempore of the Senate; and 29 WHEREAS, There are countless women across our Commonwealth 30 who have made a significant impact on society; and

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WHEREAS, Women's leadership helps build stronger communities,
organizations and nations; and

3 WHEREAS, It is important to acknowledge the value of women in 4 leadership positions and encourage more women to pursue these 5 roles; therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize March 7 8, 2024, as "International Women's Day" in Pennsylvania with 8 respect for women's rich and diverse accomplishments and 9 aspirations; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage 11 residents of this Commonwealth to participate in the appropriate 12 events and activities of "International Women's Day."