

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 427 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY HARKINS, JOZWIAK, MERSKI, GIRAL, HILL-EVANS, McNEILL, CONKLIN, SCHMITT, JAMES, T. DAVIS, MUNROE, WEBSTER, SAPPEY, VENKAT, KINSEY, SANCHEZ, GUENST, ROZZI, MARSHALL, MALAGARI, OTTEN, DONAHUE, MENTZER AND ZIMMERMAN, MAY 7, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MAY 7, 2024

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of May 12 through 18, 2024, as "National
2 Police Week" and recognizing May 15, 2024, as "Peace Officers
3 Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania.

4 WHEREAS, Across the United States, the week of May 12 through
5 18, 2024, is being recognized as "National Police Week"; and

6 WHEREAS, On October 1, 1962, the Congress of the United
7 States approved a joint resolution authorizing the President to
8 designate May 15 of each year as "Peace Officers Memorial Day"
9 and the calendar week in which that date occurs as "Police
10 Week"; and

11 WHEREAS, By proclamation dated May 4, 1963, President John F.
12 Kennedy designated May 15, 1963, and each succeeding May 15 as
13 "Peace Officers Memorial Day" and the week of May 12 through May
14 18, 1963, and each succeeding calendar week during which May 15
15 occurs as "Police Week"; and

16 WHEREAS, The first annual National Peace Officers' Memorial
17 Service was held on May 15, 1982; and

1 WHEREAS, A candlelight vigil continues to be observed
2 annually at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in
3 Washington, DC, in memory of police officers who have made the
4 ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty; and

5 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives joins in remembering
6 the service and sacrifice of those police officers throughout
7 our nation who have died in the line of duty; and

8 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives honors the memory of
9 the hundreds of police officers who have given their lives in
10 the line of duty in this Commonwealth; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
12 week of May 12 through 18, 2024, as "National Police Week" and
13 recognize May 15, 2024, as "Peace Officers Memorial Day" in
14 Pennsylvania.