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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY GROVE, D'ORSIE, FINK, HILL-EVANS, M. JONES, KEEFER  
AND KLUNK, JULY 23, 2024

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JULY 23, 2024

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating November 15, 2024, as "Articles of the Confederation  
2 Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, For much of the 18th century many of the colonies  
4 appreciated the wealth and protection afforded to them by the  
5 British monarchy; and

6 WHEREAS, As the British monarchy tried to assert greater  
7 control over the colonies, turbulent times emerged, resulting in  
8 significant colonial defiance; and

9 WHEREAS, This resistance gave birth to the American  
10 Revolutionary period; and

11 WHEREAS, Patriots of the American Revolution organized the  
12 Continental Congress; and

13 WHEREAS, The delegates representing the colonies met between  
14 1774 and 1781 to debate the colonial rights and designed an  
15 assembly to unify the American colonies; and

16 WHEREAS, The Continental Congress penned the Declaration of  
17 Independence on July 4, 1776, and the Articles of Confederation  
18 on November 15, 1777; and

1       WHEREAS, These proclamations of sovereignty and independence  
2 provided the colonies with temporary governance until the  
3 adoption of the United States Constitution in 1787; therefore be  
4 it

5       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate  
6 November 15, 2024, as "Articles of Confederation Day" in  
7 Pennsylvania; and be it further

8       RESOLVED, That this Commonwealth recognize that the adoption  
9 of the Articles of Confederation provided the American colonies  
10 with our country's early framework of governance and the  
11 platform for self-governance; and be it further

12       RESOLVED, That on November 15, 2027, this Commonwealth  
13 celebrates the 250th anniversary of the adoption of the Articles  
14 of Confederation.