THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 574

Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY STEPHENS, BAKER, SCHLOSSBERG, LONGIETTI, DRISCOLL, BIZZARRO, MURT, CALTAGIRONE, SONNEY, DUSH, SOLOMON, READSHAW, V. BROWN, BOBACK, ENGLISH AND MILLARD, OCTOBER 19, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 19, 2017

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the week of October 22 through 28, 2017, as "Pro Bono Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania attorneys provide legal assistance at
- 4 low cost or no cost, commonly referred to as "pro bono" work, to
- 5 more than 100,000 low-income clients each year, including 10,000
- 6 mortgage foreclosure cases and 12,000 domestic violence cases;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, The ninth annual "National Pro Bono Week" is being
- 9 celebrated at the end of October; and
- 10 WHEREAS, "National Pro Bono Week" is an opportunity to
- 11 highlight the differences attorneys make in their communities,
- 12 to recruit and train more pro bono volunteers and to acknowledge
- 13 the partnerships that form the basis for many of the private
- 14 bar's most successful pro bono efforts; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Bar Association is joining with the
- 16 American Bar Association to sponsor this October's annual
- 17 "National Pro Bono Week" celebrations; and

- 1 WHEREAS, "National Pro Bono Week" provides numerous
- 2 opportunities to highlight the good work Pennsylvania attorneys
- 3 do for the neediest among us; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania is a leader in celebrating "National
- 5 Pro Bono Week," with reoccurring annual events at many sites
- 6 across this Commonwealth, from the Driver's License Clinic in
- 7 Dauphin County on October 23, 2017, to the Pennsylvania Bar
- 8 Association's Statewide Jeans for Justice initiative on October
- 9 27, 2017; therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
- 11 week of October 22 through 28, 2017, as "Pro Bono Week" in
- 12 Pennsylvania.