THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 730 Session of 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 2	Designating March 25, 2018, as "Greek Independence Day" in Pennsylvania.
3	WHEREAS, The ancient Greeks developed democracy, in which the
4	power to govern was vested in the people; and
5	WHEREAS, The Founding Fathers of the United States drew upon
6	the experience and philosophy of ancient Greece in forming its
7	representative democracy; and
8	WHEREAS, Many Americans fought alongside the Greeks in their
9	fight for independence; and
10	WHEREAS, Greece was allied with the United States in every
11	major international conflict in the 20th century; and
12	WHEREAS, Sir Winston Churchill said of the Greeks, "Hence, we
13	will not say that Greeks fight like heroes, but that heroes
14	fight like Greeks"; and
15	WHEREAS, Greece and the United States serve as the forefront

of the worldwide effort to promote freedom, democracy, peace,
stability and human rights, ideals which have forged a close
bond between our nations; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 3 million proud Greek Americans have established an enduring bridge between the United States and Greece, remaining connected to their heritage and passing their traditions on to new generations; and

8 WHEREAS, Greek Americans in this Commonwealth have played a 9 significant role in the economic, cultural and social 10 development of this Commonwealth; therefore be it 11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate March 12 25, 2018, as "Greek Independence Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it

13 further

RESOLVED, That all residents of this Commonwealth recognize the struggles of the Greek people for freedom in their homeland and reflect upon the importance of self-determination for all the people of the world.

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