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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 805 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY SCHLOSSBERG, SANTARSIERO, FREEMAN, COHEN, BAKER, BARRAR, BOYLE, D. COSTA, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DAVIDSON, DeLUCA, DiGIROLAMO, DRISCOLL, FARINA, GODSHALL, HARHART, HEFFLEY, HENNESSEY, PHILLIPS-HILL, KAUFFMAN, KILLION, KIRKLAND, KOTIK, LONGIETTI, MACKENZIE, MAHONEY, MARSICO, MENTZER, METZGAR, MILLARD, MURT, NEILSON, O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, OBERLANDER, PASHINSKI, PAYNE, PICKETT, QUIGLEY, READSHAW, REESE, ROTHMAN, ROZZI, SACCONI, SAYLOR, TOEPEL, VEREB, WARD, WATSON, WHEELAND AND COX, APRIL 11, 2016

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 11, 2016

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A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the 68th anniversary of the birth of the State of  
2 Israel.

3 WHEREAS, The land of Israel was the birthplace of the Jewish  
4 people and, despite Jewish exile, the land has remained the  
5 place where their religious, spiritual and national identity  
6 were formed; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1897, the First Zionist Congress proclaimed the  
8 right of the Jewish people to national revival in their own  
9 country, a right acknowledged in 1917 by the Balfour Declaration  
10 and later reaffirmed by the League of Nations; and

11 WHEREAS, The atrocities of the Nazi Holocaust and the death  
12 of millions of Jews in Europe reestablished and refocused the  
13 need for an independent Jewish state; and

14 WHEREAS, In 1947, the United Nations General Assembly adopted

1 a resolution calling for the establishment of an independent  
2 Jewish state; and

3 WHEREAS, The Declaration of the Establishment of the State of  
4 Israel was issued May 14, 1948; and

5 WHEREAS, In a relatively brief time and despite difficult  
6 challenges in the issues of peace and security, Israel has  
7 emerged from a fledgling state to one with a successful  
8 democracy, a strong economy and a powerful military; therefore  
9 be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commemorate the  
11 68th anniversary of the birth of the State of Israel.