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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 968 Session of  
2020

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INTRODUCED BY SAYLOR, HILL-EVANS, RYAN, SONNEY, BOBACK, McNEILL,  
HENNESSEY, BROOKS, STAATS, SCHMITT, MILLARD, SCHLOSSBERG,  
BURNS, PICKETT, MURT, LONGIETTI, JONES, ROTHMAN, MARSHALL,  
READSHAW, DALEY, SCHLEGEL CULVER, HEFFLEY, NEILSON AND  
ZIMMERMAN, AUGUST 18, 2020

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
AUGUST 18, 2020

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 10, 2020, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities  
2 Day" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The number of highway deaths on Pennsylvania roads  
4 totaled 1,059 in 2019, the lowest number since recordkeeping  
5 began in 1928; and

6 WHEREAS, There are many controllable causes of traffic  
7 fatalities, including excessive speed, use of alcohol and drugs,  
8 inexperience, carelessness and distracted driving; and

9 WHEREAS, The National Society of Professional Engineers, the  
10 National Academy of Forensic Engineers, the Institute of  
11 Transportation Engineers Expert Witness Council and a coalition  
12 of government agencies have teamed up to focus national public  
13 awareness on October 10, 2020, on the cause of traffic  
14 fatalities and the need to reduce the number of traffic  
15 fatalities; and

16 WHEREAS, On "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day," all drivers

1 should take an extra measure of care to ensure the safety of  
2 themselves and others by:

3 (1) driving courteously and defensively;

4 (2) knowing the rules of the road for their method of  
5 transportation and obeying all traffic laws;

6 (3) wearing protective gear, seat belts or helmets;

7 (4) avoiding speeding or driving while impaired or  
8 driving aggressively; and

9 (5) avoiding talking or text messaging on cell phones  
10 while driving;

11 therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October  
13 10, 2020, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" in Pennsylvania.