
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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JUNE 11, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
JUNE 11, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of June 10 through 16, 2018, as "State
2 Veterans' Homes Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The history of our nation reflects the contributions
4 and memories of the men and women of the United States Armed
5 Forces who have succeeded in preserving our freedom over the
6 course of more than two centuries, and whose task, while
7 unquantifiable in terms of sacrifice and commitment, stands as a
8 lasting tribute to the ideals we value as Americans; and

9 WHEREAS, These American heroes relinquished a part of their
10 lives in defense of the United States, and their struggles will
11 never be forgotten, overlooked or underestimated; and

12 WHEREAS, Those who served this nation in the United States
13 Armed Forces forever carry the virtues of liberty, freedom and
14 the right to independence, and we, as citizens of the United

1 States of America, owe an incalculable debt to these heroes,
2 past and present, and should take time to thank them; and

3 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has, for more than 100 years,
4 provided a home for distinguished veterans in need; and

5 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania will continue to honor its veterans by
6 providing them with the support they so richly deserve; and

7 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania offers its veterans and their spouses
8 exceptional around-the-clock care through a network of six
9 extended-care facilities located in major population centers
10 throughout this Commonwealth; and

11 WHEREAS, The network of facilities is comprised of the
12 Delaware Valley Veterans' Home, Gino J. Merli Veterans' Center,
13 Hollidaysburg Veterans' Home, Pennsylvania Soldiers' and
14 Sailors' Home, Southeastern Veterans' Center and Southwestern
15 Veterans' Center; and

16 WHEREAS, These facilities provide personal and skilled
17 nursing care to more than 1,300 eligible veterans and their
18 spouses; and

19 WHEREAS, These facilities, offering personal care, skilled
20 nursing care, domiciliary care and dementia care, rate
21 exceptionally high in patient satisfaction levels compared to
22 the national average; and

23 WHEREAS, Activities and entertainment are planned throughout
24 the week that greatly benefit the residents and their loved
25 ones; therefore be it

26 RESOLVED, That in recognition of our veterans and veterans'
27 homes, the Senate designate the week of June 10 through 16,
28 2018, as "State Veterans' Homes Week" in Pennsylvania and
29 encourage all residents to visit a State-supported home in Erie,
30 Hollidaysburg, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Scranton or Spring

1 City, and thank the cherished veterans and the dedicated
2 personnel who serve them.