THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY PHILLIPS-HILL, BREWSTER, DUSH, FONTANA, BARTOLOTTA, LANGERHOLC, ARGALL, ROBINSON, MARTIN, COSTA, MENSCH, J. WARD, STEFANO, MASTRIANO, PITTMAN AND SCHWANK, OCTOBER 25, 2021

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, OCTOBER 25, 2021

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing October 1, 2021, as "Manufacturing Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The manufacturing industry directly adds more than
- 4 \$70 billion in value to Pennsylvania's economy every year; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The manufacturing sector is a leading contributor to
- 6 gross State product at 12%; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania manufacturers sell more than \$33
- 8 billion worth of goods overseas annually, representing 90% of
- 9 all State exports; and
- 10 WHEREAS, More than 570,000 Pennsylvania workers are employed
- 11 in the manufacturing industry; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Millions of additional Pennsylvania jobs are
- 13 directly sustained by manufacturing in supply chains,
- 14 distribution networks, warehousing and logistics; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Manufacturing jobs have above-average wages and
- 16 benefits, with average annual income of more than \$69,000, 40%
- 17 higher than nonmanufacturing sectors; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Manufacturing drives innovation and productivity,
- 2 accounting for 70% of all research and development expenditures
- 3 in Pennsylvania; and
- 4 WHEREAS, More awareness is needed to attract students and
- 5 young people to look at the manufacturing sector for
- 6 opportunity, professional growth and family-sustaining jobs as
- 7 more than 8,000 positions remained unfilled in the industry in
- 8 Pennsylvania due to a lack of a trainable workforce; therefore
- 9 be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize October 1, 2021, as
- 11 "Manufacturing Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That the Senate, in conjunction with national
- 13 efforts, recognize the overwhelming economic contributions
- 14 manufacturing makes in our Commonwealth and the ongoing
- 15 potential it has in continuing to create the workforce of
- 16 tomorrow.