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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of October 2013 as "Arts and Humanities  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania and calling upon Pennsylvanians to  
3 celebrate and promote the arts and culture in their  
4 communities and in this Commonwealth.

5 WHEREAS, The month of October has been recognized as "Arts  
6 and Humanities Month" by thousands of arts and cultural  
7 organizations, communities and states across the country; and

8 WHEREAS, The arts and humanities embody much of the  
9 accumulated wisdom, intellect and imagination of humankind; and

10 WHEREAS, The arts and humanities enhance and enrich the lives  
11 of every American; and

12 WHEREAS, The arts and humanities play a unique role in the  
13 lives of our families, our communities and our country; and

14 WHEREAS, Arts and humanities organizations provide civic  
15 pride, community participation and volunteerism; and

16 WHEREAS, There are many arts and humanities venues and  
17 events, including, but not limited to, natural history and art  
18 museums, music festivals, concerts, plays and other  
19 performances, historical organizations and commemorative events;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, Arts and humanities venues and events provide  
3 destinations for tourists, attract and retain businesses and  
4 provide economic revitalization; and

5 WHEREAS, Nonprofit arts and humanities organizations are  
6 active, direct contributors to local businesses in the  
7 communities in which they are located and provide a substantial  
8 indirect financial benefit; and

9 WHEREAS, The Americans for the Arts Study found that the  
10 nonprofit arts industry strengthens Pennsylvania's economy by  
11 generating \$2.55 billion in total economic activity annually and  
12 by supporting the full-time equivalent of 81,000 jobs; therefore  
13 be it

14 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of October 2013  
15 as "Arts and Humanities Month" in Pennsylvania and call upon  
16 Pennsylvanians to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in  
17 their communities and in this Commonwealth.