THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 302

Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY HAYWOOD, TARTAGLIONE, STREET, HUGHES, SANTARSIERO, FONTANA, COMITTA, KANE AND CAPPELLETTI, MAY 31, 2024

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, MAY 31, 2024

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the month of June 2024 as "Gun Violence Awareness 2 Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Gun violence is a national, state and local problem
- 4 affecting American cities, suburbs and rural communities; and
- 5 WHEREAS, An average of 200 Americans become direct survivors
- 6 of gun violence everyday; and
- 7 WHEREAS, There are more firearm-related deaths per year than
- 8 motor-vehicle-related deaths per year in this Commonwealth; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The National Center for Health Statistics reports
- 10 that the firearm-related death rate in this Commonwealth exceeds
- 11 the national firearm-related death rate; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In 2021, firearms caused an average of one American
- 13 death every eleven minutes; and
- 14 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, an individual is killed with a
- 15 firearm every seven hours; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The month of June is commemorated as "National Gun
- 17 Violence Awareness Month" across the United States; and
- 18 WHEREAS, "Gun Violence Awareness Month" is an occasion to

- 1 commemorate the lives lost to gun violence and to recognize the
- 2 public safety and public health issues caused by gun violence;
- 3 therefore be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of June 2024 as
- 5 "Gun Violence Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.