THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 354

Session of 2022

INTRODUCED BY ROBINSON, CORMAN, LANGERHOLC, LAUGHLIN, MENSCH, BROOKS, KANE, HUGHES, REGAN, PHILLIPS-HILL, KEARNEY, SANTARSIERO, ARGALL, FONTANA, BARTOLOTTA, COLLETT, DILLON, VOGEL, GORDNER, TOMLINSON, HUTCHINSON, CAPPELLETTI, MUTH, SCHWANK, BROWNE, COMITTA, STEFANO, DUSH, COSTA, MASTRIANO, BREWSTER AND TARTAGLIONE, OCTOBER 11, 2022

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, OCTOBER 11, 2022

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring all Pennsylvania veterans who served during war and 2 peace on the occasion of Veterans Day, November 11, 2022.
- 3 WHEREAS, In 1918, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in
- 4 the eleventh month, the world rejoiced and celebrated because,
- 5 after four years of bitter war, an armistice was signed that
- 6 declared the "war to end all wars" over; and
- 7 WHEREAS, November 11 was set aside as Armistice Day in the
- 8 United States to remember the sacrifices men and women made
- 9 during World War I in order to ensure a lasting peace; and
- 10 WHEREAS, On Armistice Day, soldiers who survived the war
- 11 marched in parades through their hometowns, and politicians,
- 12 public officials and veteran officers gave speeches and held
- 13 ceremonies of thanks for the peace they had won; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States voted Armistice
- 15 Day a legal holiday in 1938, but Americans realized that the
- 16 previous war would not be the last one; and

- 1 WHEREAS, World War II began the following year, and nations
- 2 great and small again participated in a bloody struggle; and
- 3 WHEREAS, After World War II, Armistice Day continued to be
- 4 observed on November 11; and
- 5 WHEREAS, In 1953, townspeople in Emporia, Kansas, called the
- 6 holiday "Veterans Day" in gratitude to the veterans in their
- 7 town; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Soon after, Congress passed a bill renaming the
- 9 national holiday as Veterans Day; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Americans still give thanks to veterans for their
- 11 service on Veterans Day with ceremonies and speeches, and, at 11
- 12 a.m., many Americans observe a moment of silence in remembrance
- 13 of those who fought and for those who gave their lives to
- 14 preserve the freedoms we now enjoy; therefore be it
- 15 RESOLVED, That the Senate honor all Pennsylvania veterans who
- 16 served during war and peace on the occasion of Veterans Day,
- 17 November 11, 2022; and be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage communities to
- 19 participate in Veterans Day ceremonies across this Commonwealth
- 20 in recognition of the approximately 770,800 current Pennsylvania
- 21 residents who have served in the Armed Forces to protect the
- 22 United States and this Commonwealth during our greatest times of
- 23 need.