## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 360

Session of 2022

INTRODUCED BY BROOKS, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, BARTOLOTTA, KANE, HUGHES, BROWNE, KEARNEY, MENSCH, HAYWOOD, CAPPELLETTI, MUTH, SCHWANK, COMITTA, STEFANO, DUSH, COSTA, MASTRIANO, BREWSTER AND TARTAGLIONE, OCTOBER 14, 2022

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, OCTOBER 14, 2022

## A RESOLUTION

- Designating November 17, 2022, as "Children's Grief Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Children who experience the loss of a loved one,
- 4 especially a close family member, can carry that loss with them
- 5 forever, and the loss sometimes causes confusion as to why their
- 6 loved one was taken away; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Highmark Caring Place is a center for grieving
- 8 children and adolescents and their families; and
- 9 WHEREAS, There are four Caring Place centers throughout this
- 10 Commonwealth which provide a place where, above all, individuals
- 11 and families can find comfort, understanding and help in times
- 12 of grief; and
- 13 WHEREAS, "Children's Grief Awareness Day" was started in this
- 14 Commonwealth by the Highmark Caring Place in 2008 to help others
- 15 understand the impact of death on children and their need for
- 16 support; and
- 17 WHEREAS, "Children's Grief Awareness Day" is observed every

- 1 year on the Thursday before Thanksgiving, immediately preceding
- 2 the winter holidays, which can be a particularly difficult time
- 3 for grieving children; and
- 4 WHEREAS, A simple way to participate is to encourage as many
- 5 people as possible to wear blue on that day as a symbol of
- 6 support for "Children's Grief Awareness Day"; and
- 7 WHEREAS, On November 17, 2022, Caring Team for Grieving
- 8 Children schools, along with children and adults from all walks
- 9 of life across Pennsylvania, join together with thousands of
- 10 others nationally and internationally to show their support for
- 11 grieving children by participating in "Children's Grief
- 12 Awareness Day"; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate designate November 17, 2022, as
- 14 "Children's Grief Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.