THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 381

Session of 2022

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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and achievements of Pennsylvania Supreme Court Chief Justice Max Baer.
- 3 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Max Baer passed away on Saturday,
- 4 October 1, 2022, at 74 years of age; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer was born in Pittsburgh, Allegheny
- 6 County, on December 24, 1947, the son of Henry "Budd" and Helen
- 7 Baer; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer was a 1971 graduate of the
- 9 University of Pittsburgh; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer earned a juris doctorate degree
- 11 in 1975 from Duquesne University and a Masters of Tax Program
- 12 from Robert Morris College in 1986; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer served as a deputy attorney
- 14 general for the Commonwealth from 1975 to 1980, and he was in
- 15 private law practice from 1980 to 1989; and

- 1 WHEREAS, In 1989, Chief Justice Baer was elected a judge of
- 2 the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County; and
- 3 WHEREAS, In 1993, Chief Justice Baer was appointed
- 4 Administrative Judge of the Family Division of the Court of
- 5 Common Pleas of Allegheny County; and
- 6 WHEREAS, In 2003, Chief Justice Baer was first elected to the
- 7 Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; and
- 8 WHEREAS, In 2013, Chief Justice Baer was retained for a
- 9 second 10-year term as Chief Justice; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In April 2021, Chief Justice Baer succeeded Chief
- 11 Justice Thomas Saylor as Chief Justice; and
- 12 WHEREAS, During the past several decades, Chief Justice Baer
- 13 achieved numerous accomplishments and received awards and honors
- 14 on varied issues; and
- 15 WHEREAS, During Chief Justice Baer's tenure, he authored
- 16 several publications and was actively involved in a number of
- 17 professional associations and commissions; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer was a champion for children and
- 19 families and earned national recognition for juvenile court
- 20 reforms; and
- 21 WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer is survived by his wife, Beth
- 22 Baer; his two children, Benjamin (Lauren) Baer and Andrew
- 23 (Tiffany) Baer; his five grandchildren; his brother, Mark (Jill)
- 24 Baer; and his sister, Lisa (Curt) Cron; therefore be it
- 25 RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and achievements of
- 26 Pennsylvania Supreme Court Chief Justice Max Baer.