
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 404 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY McGARRIGLE, FARNESE, BROOKS, DINNIMAN, MARTIN,
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SCHWANK, GREENLEAF, EICHELBERGER, BREWSTER, MENSCH, BLAKE,
RAFFERTY, SCAVELLO, HUGHES, BAKER, VULAKOVICH AND WARD,
JUNE 20, 2018

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED, JUNE 20, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing August 19, 2018, as "Aviation Day" in Pennsylvania.

2 WHEREAS, In 1903, brothers, Orville and Wilbur Wright, left
3 their hometown of Dayton, Ohio, and traveled to the sands of
4 Kitty Hawk, North Carolina; and

5 WHEREAS, In Kitty Hawk, the Wright brothers made the first
6 controlled, sustained flight of a powered, heavier-than-air
7 aircraft, and in the process they established a tradition of
8 excellence in innovation that endures to this day; and

9 WHEREAS, Declared in 1939 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt,
10 "National Aviation Day" celebrates the history and development
11 of aviation; and

12 WHEREAS, This annual event provides an ideal time to pay
13 tribute to the many pioneering individuals who have dared to
14 reach for the heavens; and

15 WHEREAS, The date of August 19 was selected specifically to
16 correspond with the birthday of Orville Wright, and this legacy

1 of the Wright brothers' historic flight helps to ensure that
2 important details of the past are transmitted to succeeding
3 generations for their reflection and appreciation; and

4 WHEREAS, The many organizations and airports throughout this
5 Commonwealth that have participated in National Aviation Day are
6 to be commended for their tremendous efforts to guarantee that
7 the history of aviation in the United States will not be
8 forgotten; and

9 WHEREAS, Aviation in this Commonwealth dates back more than
10 100 years and currently ranks 11th in the country in the number
11 of public-use aviation facilities, with 128 airports, heliports
12 and seaplane bases, providing an annual economic impact of \$23.6
13 billion to this Commonwealth; and

14 WHEREAS, The aviation industry in this Commonwealth supports
15 more than 300,000 jobs, making it one of the largest employment
16 sectors in the State; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize August 19, 2018, as
18 "Aviation Day" in Pennsylvania.