THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY COMITTA, FONTANA, MARTIN, CAPPELLETTI, HAYWOOD, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, MILLER, DILLON, HUGHES, KANE, SCHWANK AND STREET, MARCH 14, 2023

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, MARCH 14, 2023

A RESOLUTION

- Designating the third week of May 2023 as "Victim Services Staff Appreciation Week" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Crimes impact every community in this Commonwealth,
- 4 with more than 281,175 crimes reported in 2022 according to the
- 5 Uniform Crime Report; and
- 6 WHEREAS, There are many dedicated, compassionate
- 7 professionals working with those in law enforcement and the
- 8 criminal justice system to provide crucial services to the
- 9 victims of these crimes and their families; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Dedicated victim advocates of victim service
- 11 agencies throughout this Commonwealth provide trauma-informed
- 12 compassionate support and a continuum of care for victims and
- 13 their families; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Dedicated violence prevention educators of victim
- 15 service agencies throughout this Commonwealth provide vital
- 16 prevention and awareness programming to students of all ages,
- 17 parents and school staff and to members of all of our

- 1 communities; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Dedicated counselors of victim advocacy service
- 3 throughout this Commonwealth provide trauma-informed
- 4 compassionate counseling to victims and their families to
- 5 promote hope and healing; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Dedicated nurses of victim service agencies
- 7 throughout this Commonwealth provide support and medical care
- 8 for victims; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Dedicated administrative staff of victim service
- 10 agencies throughout this Commonwealth provide support to victim
- 11 service agency staff and their clients; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth recognizes and celebrates the work
- 13 of these dedicated victim services staff; therefore be it
- 14 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the third week of May
- 15 2023 as "Victim Services Staff Appreciation Week" in
- 16 Pennsylvania.