THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

- Mourning the loss of Albert R. Boscov and extending heartfelt condolences to his wife and family.
- 3 WHEREAS, Albert R. Boscov was born on September 22, 1929, the
- 4 son of Solomon and Ethel Boscov; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Boscov's life epitomized the American dream; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Taught by his parents the value of a hard day's work
- 7 and a good education, Mr. Boscov graduated from Reading High
- 8 School and Drexel University; and
- 9 WHEREAS, After serving our country with distinction in the
- 10 United States Navy during the Korean Conflict, Mr. Boscov
- 11 returned to Reading to join the family business; and
- 12 WHEREAS, With creative flair, relentless drive and a special
- 13 knack for retail, Mr. Boscov helped build Boscov's Department
- 14 Stores into the largest family-owned department store chain in
- 15 America; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Mr. Boscov's formula for success was simple: place
- 2 people first--customers are friends and coworkers are family;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, Generous, thoughtful and caring, Mr. Boscov made it
- 5 his mission to help those in need, promote tolerance and
- 6 understanding and champion worthy causes; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Whether it was helping realize the dream of home
- 8 ownership in Reading, revitalizing downtown Wilkes-Barre or
- 9 fostering the growth of the arts across this Commonwealth, Mr.
- 10 Boscov's philanthropy and generosity were legendary, his energy
- 11 and enthusiasm were contagious and his impact and imprint are
- 12 indelible; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mr. Boscov's legacy as a counselor and confidant to
- 14 governors and elected officials of both parties and a visionary
- 15 with the unique ability to see an idea through from start to
- 16 finish spans generations and inspires others to do great things
- 17 for their communities; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Devoted husband, loving father, beloved grandfather,
- 19 loyal friend, business icon, generous philanthropist and
- 20 tireless community advocate are fitting descriptions of and apt
- 21 tributes to the life of Mr. Boscov, who gave so much of himself
- 22 to benefit others; therefore be it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the Senate mourn the loss of Albert R. Boscov;
- 24 and be it further
- 25 RESOLVED, That the Senate extend heartfelt condolences to his
- 26 wife, Eunice, and the entire Boscov family; and be it further
- 27 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
- 28 the Boscov family in care of Eunice Boscov.