THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing March 8, 2015, as "International Women's Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The Senate acknowledges women's economic, political
- 4 and social achievements and pays tribute to their role in
- 5 strengthening and connecting communities in this Commonwealth
- 6 and beyond; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The Senate joins women's groups around the world who
- 8 are observing "International Women's Day" without regard to
- 9 national boundaries, ethnicity, language, culture or
- 10 socioeconomic status; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The Senate commemorates the struggle for women's
- 12 rights and applauds women's notable progress and aspirations
- 13 relative to equality, justice, peace and global development; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Women in this Commonwealth, who comprise more than
- 15 50% of the population, and women around the world are
- 16 steadfastly pursuing these goals despite recessions, wars or
- 17 unrest, disease, oppression and the burdens of poverty; and

- 1 WHEREAS, The first "International Women's Day" was held in
- 2 1911 during a time of great expansion and turbulence in the
- 3 industrialized world; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Significant attention to working conditions and
- 5 labor legislation in the United States became the focus for the
- 6 1911 and subsequent Women's Day events and now each year
- 7 "International Women's Day" is celebrated on March 8; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Annually on "International Women's Day," thousands
- 9 of events are held throughout the world to inspire women and
- 10 celebrate the social, political and economic achievements of
- 11 women while focusing world attention on areas requiring further
- 12 action; and
- 13 WHEREAS, The 2015 theme of "International Women's Day" is
- 14 "Make It Happen," encouraging effective action for advancing and
- 15 recognizing women; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The vast array of communication channels, supportive
- 17 spokespeople, equality research, campaigns and corporate
- 18 responsibility initiatives means everyone can be an advocate,
- 19 inspiring change for women's advancement and mark the economic,
- 20 political and social achievements of women and women's
- 21 organizations; therefore be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize March 8, 2015, as
- 23 "International Women's Day" in Pennsylvania and respectfully
- 24 acknowledge women's rich and diverse accomplishments and
- 25 tireless aspirations.