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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 53 Session of 2023

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INTRODUCED BY BREWSTER, FEBRUARY 27, 2023

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A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and service of McKeesport Police Officer Sean  
2 L. Sluganski.

3 WHEREAS, McKeesport Police Officer Sean L. Sluganski was shot  
4 and killed in the line of duty on February 6, 2023; and

5 WHEREAS, Officer Sluganski was 32 years of age and is  
6 remembered for his sincere passion for serving the public and  
7 his positivity; and

8 WHEREAS, Officer Sluganski sadly leaves behind a fiancée,  
9 their young daughter, his mother, two sisters, nieces, aunts,  
10 uncles and two dogs; and

11 WHEREAS, Officer Sluganski was a graduate of Baldwin-  
12 Whitehall School District and a hockey player; and

13 WHEREAS, Officer Sluganski graduated with a bachelor's degree  
14 from PennWest California; and

15 WHEREAS, Officer Sluganski served with the McKeesport Police  
16 Department for two years and previously worked in Charleroi and  
17 Whitaker; and

18 WHEREAS, His PennWest California professor and Charleroi

1 Police Officer, Dr. Mike Hummel, said Officer Sluganski was a  
2 good police officer with a deep desire to use his education to  
3 work with the public better and defuse situations with a kind  
4 heart; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Hummel said, "You won't be able to replace a guy  
6 of that caliber, of that quality"; and

7 WHEREAS, McKeesport Mayor Michael Cherepko offered a  
8 statement: "On Tuesday, February 14, we said goodbye to Officer  
9 Sluganski. Law enforcement agencies, fire departments, emergency  
10 medical services, our city residents, and supporters from  
11 communities far and wide, lined McKeesport's streets in support  
12 of Officer Sluganski, his family, and his brothers and sisters  
13 in the McKeesport Police Department who laid him to rest"; and

14 WHEREAS, Mayor Cherepko recognized that "Officer Sluganski  
15 loved serving this city and being a part of our community"; and

16 WHEREAS, Mayor Cherepko declared, "The members of the  
17 Sluganski family are now honorary McKeesporters, by their own  
18 description; they have McKeesport in their hearts, just as we  
19 have them in ours"; and

20 WHEREAS, There has been an outpouring of support through  
21 vigils and memorials as Officer Sluganski's family, friends and  
22 fellow officers mourn the loss of a beloved member of their  
23 community; and

24 WHEREAS, Officer Sluganski made the ultimate sacrifice  
25 protecting his community and the residents of this Commonwealth;  
26 therefore be it

27 RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and service of  
28 McKeesport Police Officer Sean L. Sluganski; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That the Senate extend condolences to the family,  
30 friends, loved ones and the entire community as they honor the

1 life and sacrifice of Officer Sean L. Sluganski.