## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

No. 90

Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY MASTRIANO, ROTHMAN, ROBINSON, ARGALL, BREWSTER, BROOKS, CULVER, MARTIN AND PHILLIPS-HILL, APRIL 18, 2023

REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, APRIL 18, 2023

## A RESOLUTION

- Recognizing April 15, 2023, as "Purple Up! for Military Kids Day" in Pennsylvania and the month of April 2023 as the
- "Month of the Military Child."
- WHEREAS, Since September 11, 2001, more than 30,000
- 5 Pennsylvania National Guard members, reservists and active-duty
- 6 personnel have been deployed in support of the Global War on
- 7 Terrorism; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The estimated number of children in this
- 9 Commonwealth having at least one parent currently serving in the
- 10 National Guard, Reserves or active components of the United
- 11 States Armed Forces exceeds 37,000; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Nationwide, more than 2 million children have
- 13 experienced the deployment of one or more parents since 2001;
- 14 and
- 15 WHEREAS, Nearly 44% of military personnel have children who
- 16 are left behind during these deployments; and
- 17 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Defense, the United
- 18 States Armed Forces and other Federal agencies as well as

- 1 nonprofit organizations, businesses and communities throughout
- 2 our nation join in this observance; and
- 3 WHEREAS, It is fitting that we recognize and honor the
- 4 sacrifices and celebrate the spirit of our men and women in
- 5 uniform; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Our military personnel deserve to know that we are
- 7 taking care of their children while they are busy protecting us;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, When parents serve in the military, their children
- 10 serve as well; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Purple, symbolizing all branches of the military, is
- 12 worn as a tribute to our bravely serving men and women;
- 13 therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize April 15, 2023, as
- 15 "Purple Up! for Military Kids Day" in Pennsylvania; and be it
- 16 further
- 17 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage all Pennsylvanians to
- 18 show support for our military children by wearing the color
- 19 purple on April 15, 2023; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of April 2023
- 21 as the "Month of the Military Child."