## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, APRIL 18, 2023

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the month of May 2023 as "Military Appreciation 2 Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The vigilance of the members of the United States
- 4 Armed Forces has been instrumental to the preservation of the
- 5 freedom, security and prosperity enjoyed by the citizens of the
- 6 United States; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The success of the United States Armed Forces
- 8 depends on the dedicated service of its members, their families
- 9 and the civilian employees of the Department of Defense and the
- 10 United States Coast Guard; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The role of the United States as a world leader
- 12 requires a military force that is well-trained, well-equipped
- 13 and appropriately sized; and
- 14 WHEREAS, To maintain such a force, the youth of the United
- 15 States must possess a commitment to military service sufficient
- 16 to achieve the levels of recruitment and retention necessary to
- 17 sustain the strength, vitality and character of the United

- 1 States Armed Forces; and
- 2 WHEREAS, To foster and sustain such a commitment, it is vital
- 3 for the youth of the United States to understand that the
- 4 service provided by members of the United States Armed Forces is
- 5 an honorable legacy that protects the freedom enjoyed by
- 6 citizens of the United States as well as citizens of many other
- 7 nations; and
- 8 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth has a responsibility to raise
- 9 awareness of and respect for this aspect of the heritage of the
- 10 United States and to encourage the citizens of the United States
- 11 to dedicate themselves to the values and principles for which
- 12 Americans have served and sacrificed throughout the history of
- 13 our nation; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Service in the United States Armed Forces entails
- 15 special hazards and demands extraordinary sacrifices from
- 16 service members and their families; and
- 17 WHEREAS, The support of the families of service members
- 18 enhances the effectiveness and capabilities of the United States
- 19 Armed Forces; and
- 20 WHEREAS, The observance of events recognizing the
- 21 contributions of the United States Armed Forces is a tangible
- 22 and highly effective way of sustaining morale and improving
- 23 quality of life for service members and their families; and
- 24 WHEREAS, "Military Appreciation Month" was initially
- 25 recognized by a resolution in the United States Senate in 1999
- 26 and traditionally takes place every year throughout the entire
- 27 month of May, reminding Americans to celebrate this patriotic
- 28 month that pays tribute to those who have sacrificed so much for
- 29 our freedom; and
- 30 WHEREAS, Although the entire month is designated to honoring

- 1 past and present military members and their families, there are
- 2 several, specific military holidays sprinkled throughout
- 3 "Military Appreciation Month" itself, including "Loyalty Day,"
- 4 "VE Day," "Military Spouse Appreciation Day," "Armed Forces Day"
- 5 and "Memorial Day"; therefore be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the month of May 2023 as
- 7 "Military Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania.