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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY MACKENZIE, BROWN, BURNS, SCHLEGEL CULVER, HEFFLEY,  
KINSEY AND KORTZ, OCTOBER 1, 2020

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
OCTOBER 1, 2020

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of October 11 through 17, 2020, as  
2 "International Sterile Processing Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Sterile processing departments in health care  
4 facilities are responsible for cleaning, assembling,  
5 sterilizing, storing and distributing medical devices and  
6 supplies needed for patient care; and

7 WHEREAS, Sterile processing technicians ensure that medical  
8 staff in operating rooms, intensive care units, endoscopy  
9 suites, birth centers and other patient care areas receive  
10 sterile surgical instruments, supplies and equipment integral in  
11 providing the best possible patient care; and

12 WHEREAS, "International Sterile Processing Week," formerly  
13 known as "International Central Service Week," is celebrated  
14 annually in October to recognize the committed specialists that  
15 fill sterile processing departments and make a difference in  
16 patient care throughout the United States; and

17 WHEREAS, Sterile processing professionals demonstrate an

1 ongoing diligence to meet the growing needs of the medical  
2 community, and their expertise has become increasingly important  
3 to help patients achieve the best possible outcomes; and

4 WHEREAS, Cleanliness is critical at all health care  
5 facilities across this Commonwealth, and commitment to  
6 maintaining high standards of sanitation by sterile processing  
7 technicians is crucial in keeping Pennsylvanians safe; therefore  
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
10 week of October 11 through 17, 2020, as "International Sterile  
11 Processing Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives applaud all  
13 sterile processing professionals for ensuring quality care and  
14 service throughout this Commonwealth and encourage all  
15 Pennsylvanians to learn more about the sterile processing  
16 profession and the role these dedicated professionals play.