THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 24, 2016

A RESOLUTION

1 2	Honoring all Pennsylvania veterans who served during war and peace on the occasion of Veterans Day, November 11, 2016.
3	WHEREAS, In 1918, on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in
4	the eleventh month, the world rejoiced and celebrated because,
5	after four years of bitter war, an armistice was signed that
6	declared the "war to end all wars" over; and
7	WHEREAS, November 11 was set aside as Armistice Day in the
8	United States to remember the sacrifices men and women made
9	during World War I in order to ensure a lasting peace; and
10	WHEREAS, On Armistice Day, soldiers who survived the war
11	marched in parades through their hometowns, and politicians,
12	public officials and veteran officers gave speeches and held
13	ceremonies of thanks for the peace they had won; and

1 WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States voted Armistice 2 Day a legal holiday in 1938, but Americans realized that the 3 previous war would not be the last one; and

WHEREAS, World War II began the following year, and nations
great and small again participated in a bloody struggle; and
WHEREAS, After World War II, Armistice Day continued to be
observed on November 11; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1953, townspeople in Emporia, Kansas, called the 9 holiday "Veterans Day" in gratitude to the veterans in their 10 town; and

11 WHEREAS, Soon after, Congress passed a bill renaming the 12 national holiday as Veterans Day; and

13 WHEREAS, Americans still give thanks to veterans for their 14 service on Veterans Day with ceremonies and speeches, and at 11 15 a.m., many Americans observe a moment of silence in remembrance 16 of those who fought and for those who gave their lives to preserve the freedoms we now enjoy; therefore be it 17 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor all Pennsylvania veterans who served during war and peace on the 19 20 occasion of Veterans Day, November 11, 2016, and honor the men and women who currently serve in our armed forces at home and 21 abroad in America's war on terrorism; and be it further 22 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage 24 communities to participate in Veterans Day ceremonies across 25 this Commonwealth in recognition of those who have served the United States and this Commonwealth in the past and those who 26 continue to serve our country in its current time of need. 27

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