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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 185 Session of  
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SCHWEYER, ROEBUCK AND DEASY, MARCH 24, 2015

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
MARCH 24, 2015

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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of May 2015 as "Older Pennsylvanians  
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, May has traditionally been recognized as Older  
4 Americans Month, a month set aside to recognize older adults who  
5 are among our most treasured resources, who are united by  
6 historical experiences and strengthened by diversity and who  
7 interpret events through varied perspectives and backgrounds to  
8 bring wisdom and insight to our communities; and

9 WHEREAS, The United States Administration for Community  
10 Living, in honor of the upcoming 50th anniversary of the Older  
11 Americans Act of 1965 (Public Law 89-73, 42 U.S.C. § 3001 et  
12 seq.), has announced that the theme for Older Americans Month in  
13 2015 is "Get into the Act"; and

14 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania has the fourth largest percentage of

1 residents 60 years of age and over, and during the next decade,  
2 Pennsylvania's age 85 years and over population is expected to  
3 grow by 42% while its total population is expected to grow by  
4 only 2%; and

5 WHEREAS, Older adults deserve recognition for the  
6 contributions they have made and continue to make to the  
7 culture, economy and character of the United States and this  
8 Commonwealth; and

9 WHEREAS, Recognition and respect can be provided to older  
10 Pennsylvanians by increasing their opportunities to remain  
11 active and engaged in community life, providing individualized  
12 services and support systems to maintain their dignity,  
13 independence and self-determination and combating ageist  
14 attitudes by honoring their past, present and future  
15 contributions; therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the  
17 month of May 2015 as "Older Pennsylvanians Month" in  
18 Pennsylvania; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That every resident be urged to take time this  
20 month to honor Pennsylvania's older adults and the  
21 professionals, family members and volunteers who care for many  
22 of them.