THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 540

Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY SAYLOR, BAKER, BERNSTINE, BIZZARRO, BOBACK, BRADFORD, V. BROWN, CALTAGIRONE, CORBIN, DAVIS, DEAN, DRISCOLL, DUSH, GILLEN, GREINER, HENNESSEY, PHILLIPS-HILL, JOZWIAK, KORTZ, LONGIETTI, MARSHALL, MARSICO, MILLARD, B. MILLER, MURT, NEILSON, PASHINSKI, PICKETT, C. QUINN, READSHAW, ROZZI, RYAN, SCHLOSSBERG, SNYDER, SONNEY, VAZQUEZ, WARD, WATSON, WHEELAND AND TOOHIL, OCTOBER 2, 2017

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, OCTOBER 2, 2017

A RESOLUTION

- Designating October 10, 2017, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The number of highway deaths on Pennsylvania roads
- 4 totaled 1,188 in 2016, the lowest number since recordkeeping
- 5 began in 1928; and
- 6 WHEREAS, There are many controllable causes of traffic
- 7 fatalities, including excessive speed, use of alcohol and drugs,
- 8 inexperience, carelessness and distracted driving; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The National Society of Professional Engineers, the
- 10 National Academy of Forensic Engineers, the Institute of
- 11 Transportation Engineers Expert Witness Council and a coalition
- 12 of government agencies have teamed up to focus national public
- 13 awareness on October 10, 2017, on the cause of traffic
- 14 fatalities and the need to reduce the number of traffic
- 15 fatalities; and

- 1 WHEREAS, On "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day," all drivers
- 2 should take an extra measure of care to ensure the safety of
- 3 themselves and others by:
- 4 (1) driving courteously and defensively;
- 5 (2) knowing the rules of the road for their method of
- 6 transportation and obeying all traffic laws;
- 7 (3) wearing protective gear, seat belts or helmets;
- 8 (4) avoiding speeding or driving while impaired or
- 9 driving aggressively; and
- 10 (5) avoiding talking or text messaging on cell phones
- 11 while driving;
- 12 therefore be it
- 13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
- 14 10, 2017, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" in Pennsylvania.