THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, OCTOBER 11, 2019

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing October 29, 2019, as "International Data Center Day" 2 in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, "International Data Center Day" was created to raise
- 4 awareness of the data center industry and to inspire the next
- 5 generation of talent in this industry; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Data centers are critical to our daily lives and
- 7 important to our connected world by providing a mechanism to
- 8 conduct digital transactions and store financial information and
- 9 vital health records; and
- 10 WHEREAS, It is essential that data centers operate 24 hours a
- 11 day, 7 days a week without interruption; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Data centers must be highly reliable with flawless
- 13 data connectivity, great access to power, superior energy
- 14 efficiency and highly secure facilities; and
- 15 WHEREAS, There are currently more than 8 million data centers
- 16 in the world, with data centers consuming more than 2% of all
- 17 the electric in the United States; and

- 1 WHEREAS, At the present time, there are approximately 63,000
- 2 searches performed on search engines every second in data
- 3 centers; and
- 4 WHEREAS, It is projected that more than 50 billion smart
- 5 devices will be in use by 2020, which will require an increase
- 6 in data center growth to service those devices; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Data centers are and will increasingly become a
- 8 supplier of high-paying jobs to citizens of all skill sets with
- 9 an industry projected job growth rate of 12% through 2024; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The average salary for a data center engineer varies
- 11 based on location, however the current estimated average data
- 12 center engineer salary is \$63,000 per year; therefore be it
- 13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize October
- 14 29, 2019, as "International Data Center Day" in Pennsylvania in
- 15 recognition of the value of the data center industry as a
- 16 fundamental part of industry and our economy.