THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 621

Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY MENTZER, MADDEN, BIZZARRO, KORTZ, KINSEY, JAMES, BURNS, LONGIETTI, TOEPEL, BROOKS, MACKENZIE, BROWN, MURT, MALAGARI, MILLARD, PYLE, DIGIROLAMO, MERSKI, GREINER, HEFFLEY, PICKETT, T. DAVIS, HENNESSEY, READSHAW, NEILSON, HICKERNELL AND GILLEN, NOVEMBER 22, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, NOVEMBER 22, 2019

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the month of January 2020 as "Learn to Ski and 2 Snowboard Month" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, The geography of this Commonwealth is the backdrop
- 4 for outdoor recreation; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Tens of thousands of winter enthusiasts migrate
- 6 seasonally to Pennsylvania mountains every week to ski and
- 7 snowboard on trails that offer cruising comfort in a majestic
- 8 setting or the excitement of a pulse-pounding challenge on a
- 9 downhill course; and
- 10 WHEREAS, There are more than 21 ski resorts in all regions of
- 11 this Commonwealth, from the Maryland to the New York borders,
- 12 including central Pennsylvania, throughout the Alleghenies and
- 13 from the Endless Mountains to the Philadelphia suburbs; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania ski resorts have a significant economic
- 15 impact on the communities they are located in and this
- 16 Commonwealth as a whole; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Participating in a snow sport provides an
- 2 opportunity for exercise and friendship that lasts a lifetime;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, "Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month" encourages
- 5 children and adults to learn about snow sports by taking lessons
- 6 from professional instructors; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Ski and snowboard areas throughout the United States
- 8 offer reasonably priced turn-key lesson programs during the
- 9 month of January as a part of this initiative; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Ski Areas Association, along with
- 11 other states, the SnowSports Industries America, the
- 12 Professional Ski Instructors of America and the American
- 13 Association of Snowboard Instructors, the National Ski Patrol,
- 14 the National Ski Areas Association and the Cross Country Ski
- 15 Areas Association have united to offer an affordable "Learn to
- 16 Ski and Snowboard" program that opens the door to the wonderful
- 17 world of skiing and snowboarding for many winter enthusiasts
- 18 throughout the entire season; therefore be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
- 20 month of January 2020 as "Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month" in
- 21 Pennsylvania; and be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives appreciate and
- 23 thank the dedicated individuals who work tirelessly to protect
- 24 and support Pennsylvania's outdoor recreation and help maintain
- 25 strong winter tourism in this Commonwealth; and be it further
- 26 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
- 27 Pennsylvania Ski Areas Association, P.O. Box 27, White Haven, PA
- 28 18661.