## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 791 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY DRISCOLL, BOYLE, FLYNN, HENNESSEY, BIZZARRO, THOMAS, HAHN, KORTZ, HILL-EVANS, A. DAVIS, RYAN, PICKETT, FREEMAN, SCHLOSSBERG, LONGIETTI, SAINATO, T. DAVIS, McCARTER, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, BROWN, MURT, YOUNGBLOOD, NEILSON, KINSEY, READSHAW, MILLARD, STAATS, HOWARD, JAMES, MACKENZIE, SCHLEGEL CULVER, MENTZER, McCLINTON, MALAGARI, KNOWLES, ROZZI, HOHENSTEIN, GAINEY, KIM, WARREN, DEASY AND CONKLIN, MARCH 4, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 4, 2020

## A RESOLUTION

Designating the month of March 2020 as "Irish-American Heritage 1 Month" in Pennsylvania. 2 3 WHEREAS, On March 17, 2020, the Irish community in this Commonwealth celebrates the occasion of the feast of the 4 glorious apostle of Ireland, Saint Patrick; and 5 6 WHEREAS, The theme of the 2020 St. Patrick's Day Parade in 7 Philadelphia is "250 Years of Faith, Family, Friendship and 8 Heritage"; and WHEREAS, Fleeing political, religious and racial persecution 9 in Ireland, Irish immigrants arrived on our shores penniless and 10 11 unwanted, yet filled with hope that the United States held a 12 future in which Irish immigrants and their families would enjoy 13 the bountiful fruits of a nation founded upon the principles of 14 liberty and justice for all; and 15 WHEREAS, In every phase of our national history, Irish

1 Americans have been at the forefront of political, economic,

2 religious, social and artistic fields; and

3 WHEREAS, Irish-American contributions to this Commonwealth4 are immeasurable; therefore be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 6 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania designate the month of March 2020 7 as "Irish-American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania; and be it 8 further

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives extend its 10 felicitations and best wishes to the Irish community in this Commonwealth on this momentous occasion; and be it further 11 12 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to 13 Taoiseach Leo Varadkar T.D., Department of the Taoiseach, 14 Government Buildings, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin 2, Ireland, D02 R583, and President John A. Stevenson, St. Patrick's Day 15 Observance Association, P.O. Box 40744, Philadelphia, 16 Pennsylvania 19107. 17

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