THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 23, 2020

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing August 19, 2020, as "Aviation Day" in Pennsylvania.
- WHEREAS, In 1903, brothers, Orville and Wilbur Wright, left
- 3 their hometown of Dayton, Ohio, and traveled to the sands of
- 4 Kitty Hawk, North Carolina; and
- 5 WHEREAS, In Kitty Hawk, the Wright brothers made the first
- 6 controlled, sustained flight of a powered, heavier-than-air
- 7 aircraft, and in the process established a tradition of
- 8 excellence in innovation that endures to this day; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Declared in 1939 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt,
- 10 "National Aviation Day" celebrates the history and development
- 11 of aviation; and
- 12 WHEREAS, This annual event provides an ideal time to pay
- 13 tribute to the many pioneering individuals who have dared to
- 14 reach for the heavens; and
- 15 WHEREAS, The date of August 19 was selected specifically to
- 16 correspond with the birthday of Orville Wright, and this legacy

- 1 of the Wright brothers' historic flight helps to ensure that
- 2 important details of the past are transmitted to succeeding
- 3 generations for their reflection and appreciation; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The many organizations and airports throughout this
- 5 Commonwealth that have participated in National Aviation Day are
- 6 to be commended for their tremendous efforts to guarantee that
- 7 the history of aviation in the United States will not be
- 8 forgotten; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Aviation in this Commonwealth dates back more than
- 10 100 years and currently ranks 13th in the country in the number
- 11 of public-use aviation facilities, with 125 airports, heliports
- 12 and seaplane bases, providing an annual economic impact of \$23.6
- 13 billion to this Commonwealth; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The aviation industry supports more than 300,000
- 15 jobs, making it one of the largest employment sectors in this
- 16 Commonwealth; therefore be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize August
- 18 19, 2020, as "Aviation Day" in Pennsylvania.